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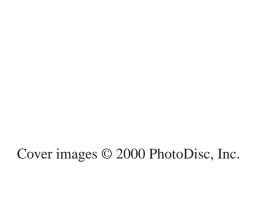
The President's Community Empowerment Board Vice President Al Gore, Chair

> U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Andrew Cuomo, Secretary

U.S. Department of Agriculture Dan Glickman, Secretary









"Americans have an interest in seeing that economic opportunities in every community are seized. We must keep working to do what we can to revitalize communities, not by ignoring them or by trying to impose one-size-fits-all programs, but by doing what we've been trying to do—being a partner with people who live in each community and being a catalyst to bring the spark of private enterprise to these communities. That's what we are doing with Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities—providing the tools for people to do what they want to do."

—President William Jefferson Clinton

"Over 7 years ago, President Clinton and I began our crusade to bring the bright light of opportunity back to communities that have been in the shadows for too long. We wanted to make our communities not just better off, but better. That's why we have focused on ways to create good, safe, clean places to raise a family, and communities that serve as magnets for opportunity, investment, growth, and jobs."

—Vice President Al Gore



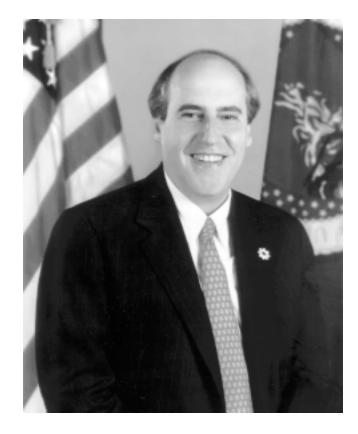


"The economic growth that has improved the lives of American families all across the Nation has left too many people and places behind. HUD's Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities Initiative is a powerful tool that can revitalize local economies. Working in partnership with State and local governments, community leaders, businesses, and residents, we are creating the new jobs and prosperity that all Americans deserve."

—Andrew Cuomo Secretary U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

"The dedication and commitment the Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities have made to improve their future is inspiring. By creatively using the resources of their communities and Federal, State, and local governments, as well as the private sector, these communities have established a model for the economic empowerment of all Americans."

—Dan Glickman Secretary U.S. Department of Agriculture





"The EZ/EC program acknowledges the importance of bringing together both the public and private sectors and reaching out to partners in the communities that we serve. It is through such interactions that we can identify community successes and fix problem areas. The EZ/EC Initiative is bringing businesses and communities together to help ensure economic opportunities in the new century."

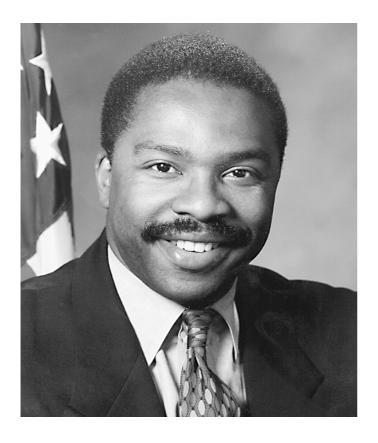
—Cardell Cooper Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

"Local communities and Federal agencies have shown that by working together they can ensure a brighter future for all of us. The grassroots community involvement and strategic planning comprise a formula with a proven record of success. The Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community Initiative works."

—Jill Long Thompson Under Secretary for Rural Development U.S. Department of Agriculture



# Message from the Executive Director



Alvin Brown
Executive Director
Community Empowerment Board
Office of the Vice President

am happy to announce the new Community Empowerment Board website, located at www.ceb.hud.gov/ceb. I encourage you to visit this website to learn more about the Community Empowerment Board and the Empowerment Zone & Enterprise Community (EZ/EC) Initiative. At this website you will find detailed information on all the Zones and Communities, an electronic version of the Federal Programs Guide as well as other important community-empowering publications, and the EZ/EC Address Locator — an exciting tool that thousands of citizens and businesses use to determine if addresses fall within an EZ or EC. You will also find an invaluable list of current funding opportunities to help revitalize the Zones and Communities.

President Clinton created the Community Empowerment Board (CEB) in 1993 to assist underserved urban and rural communities in their revitalization efforts. Chaired by Vice President Al Gore, the CEB oversees the development of the Clinton Administration's overall community empowerment agenda. One of the CEB's primary responsibilities is to ensure that EZs and ECs are empowered with the tools and resources they need to implement the visions in their strategic plans.

The CEB is honored to partner with local businesses and citizens in nationwide community development efforts. I am confident that you will find this new website an exciting and useful resource. Thank you for your interest and effort to assist America's underserved communities.

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#### INTRODUCTION

The Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community (EZ/EC) Initiative is at the heart of the Administration's community empowerment agenda. The Initiative focuses attention on distressed and underserved urban and rural areas through a collaborative approach to community revitalization. It recognizes that the problems distressed areas face are often interrelated and that local communities know best how to tackle those problems. The foundation for this kind of collective action is community-based partnerships, which bring together residents, the public sector, community organizations, and local businesses. The Strategic Plan each community has developed concentrates on this unified approach to making neighborhoods more viable places to live, work, and raise families.

There are currently 147 designated EZ/ECs in urban and rural areas. EZ/ECs receive tax incentives for businesses to spur private investment and create jobs. They also receive performance-oriented, flexible Federal grant funding to help communities implement their Strategic Plans and empower residents to participate in the process.

Vice President Al Gore, as chair of the Community Empowerment Board (CEB), oversees the EZ/EC Initiative. The CEB is made up of the heads of more than 20 Cabinet agencies and executive offices and is designed to coordinate the Federal Government's efforts to revitalize communities.

This *Federal Programs Guide* provides a comprehensive list of the various Federal resources available to bring opportunity to distressed communities. The *Guide* includes descriptions of Federal programs and technical assistance designed to:

- Create jobs and economic opportunities.
- Promote small business creation and development.
- Provide increased access to credit and capital.
- Provide tax incentives to businesses that employ former welfare recipients.
- Provide tax incentives to businesses to clean up and redevelop former industrial properties.
- Provide opportunities for out-of-school youth.

- Provide support for children and families.
- Increase access to affordable housing and homeownership opportunities.
- Improve access to the Internet and educational opportunities.
- Enhance crime prevention strategies.

The participating agencies, under the direction of the CEB, have taken steps to simplify access to various programs that can be valuable to you as you work to revitalize your community. For example, as part of Vice President Gore's "reinvention of government" effort, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has implemented its SuperNOFA process. The SuperNOFA is a new, streamlined way HUD notifies the public about its competitive grant programs. Now communities have a one-stop source of information for more than \$2 billion in available Federal funding. We hope you find this *Guide* a useful tool as you work to revitalize your neighborhoods.

## **ABOUT THIS GUIDE**

This *Federal Programs Guide* is your community's key to locating Federal programs that can help you accomplish your revitalization goals. The *Guide* is divided into four sections, each of which is described below.

#### 1. Table of Contents

The Federal program descriptions are separated into 14 program categories: Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Community Building, Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work, and Workforce Development.

#### 2. Using the Matrix

Following the Introduction is a matrix of all the programs in this *Guide*. Use the matrix program list to help you find specific programs that will best support your goals. You may begin a search applicable to your community's needs by selecting a category along the top of the page. For instance, if you select the category *Environment*, read down the column to find programs related to the environment. Then follow the row of programs to the left of the chart, where you will see the name of the program that you have selected and the page number on which it appears. When you go to that page, you will find a Related Category(ies) list next to each program description. The list can help you search more extensively through the *Guide* to find additional programs that may benefit your community.

#### 3. FY 2001 Community Empowerment Agenda

This section of the *Guide* highlights many initiatives, designed to assist distressed communities, that are in the President's proposed FY 2001 budget. Currently under congressional consideration, these Federal programs, if enacted into law, can provide vital support to your community in areas such as job training and access to capital.

#### 4. Appendixes

The appendixes offer a list of Federal agency Web sites with up-to-date program announcements. They also include a list of State Data Centers that can provide census data and maps to help you plan your revitalization actions, a list of HUD and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

contacts, and a publication resource list. The last appendix lists the contacts for each EZ/EC.

#### **Additional Listings**

A complete list of all related Federal programs can also be found on the EZ/EC home page at www.ezec.gov.

We wish you the best in your efforts to coordinate programs specific to your community's needs and hope that this *Guide* aids you in your planning.

# TERMS AND DEFINITIONS: TYPES OF FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

This Federal Programs Guide includes some terms that might not be clear to all readers. Some of the descriptions use terms familiar only to people who have experience working with Federal aid programs. Therefore, we have put together a short list of definitions to make the Guide as user friendly and as helpful as possible. Many of these definitions come directly from the introductory sections of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance.

**Block/Formula Grants:** Payments made by a Federal Government agency to States, counties, cities, or towns according to a statute-based or regulation-based formula. The allocation formula is typically based on the State's or other recipient government's population. Some block/formula grant programs require the government receiving the grant to allow residents to be substantially involved in developing plans for using the grant funds.

**Direct Loans:** Loans from a Federal Government agency to a borrower for a specific period of time, with a reasonable expectation of repayment. Terms of the loan may or may not require the borrower to make interest payments.

**Guaranteed/Insured Loans:** Financial assistance from a Federal Government agency in which the agency indemnifies a private lender against the possibility that a borrower will not repay the loan.

**Insurance:** Financial assistance provided by a Federal Government agency to ensure reimbursement for any losses that may result from specified occurrences (such as a flood). Insurance coverage may be provided directly by a Federal Government agency or through a private insurance company.

**Project Grants:** Payments made by a Federal Government agency to another government such as a State, county, or city, or to a private organization for a specific project or the delivery of a specific service or product. Project grants include, but are not limited to, demonstration grants, planning grants, technical assistance grants, and construction grants.

**Sale, Exchange, or Donation of Property and Goods:** An arrangement in which a Federal agency provides for the sale, exchange, or donation of Federal property or other goods including land, buildings, equipment, food, and drugs.

**Use of Property, Facilities, and Equipment:** An arrangement in which a Federal agency provides for the loan of, use of, or access to Federal facilities or property by another organization. In these situations, the federally owned facilities or property do not remain in the possession of the other organization. Typically, the property remains under the control of the Federal agency.

**Training:** An arrangement in which a Federal agency provides instructional activities for the benefit of recipient organizations.

# FEDERAL PROGRAMS INFORMATION

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# **Access to Capital**

#### 7(a) Guaranteed Loans

#### **Related Categories:**

Business Assistance, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Loan Programs
U.S. Small Business Administration
Phone: 1–800–827–5722
Web site: www.sba.gov/financing

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides guaranteed loans to small businesses that are unable to obtain financing in the private credit market, but can show an ability to repay the loans. Participating lenders provide loan funds and the U.S. Small Business Administration guarantees a portion of the loan. Guaranties can reach up to 80 percent on loans up to \$100,000, and up to 75 percent on loans of more than \$100,000. The maximum guaranty is \$750,000. Loan proceeds can be used for any legitimate business purpose such as construction, purchase of equipment, inventory, and working capital.

#### Assets for Independence Demonstration Program

**Program Description/Activities:** This 5-year demonstration program provides for the establishment of projects that allow low-income working families to establish Individual Development Accounts (IDAs). IDAs are dedicated savings accounts where client earned income is matched by Federal and non-Federal funds and can be used by eligible participants to purchase a first home, pay for postsecondary education, or capitalize a business. The projects encourage participants to develop and/or reinforce habits of saving money and provide them with opportunities to acquire assets that support movement toward self-sufficiency.

Grant/Award Amount: \$10 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Community Building, Economic Development, Education, Equal Opportunity, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services
Administration for Children and Families
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 202–401–9341
Web site: www.dhhs.gov

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Loan Programs
U.S. Small Business Administration
Phone: 202–205–6490
Web site: www.sba.gov/financing

#### Certified Development Company Loans (504 Loans)

Program Description/Activities: The 504 loans provide long-term financing at reasonable fixed rates for small businesses that need to acquire land and construct buildings or fund expansion, renovation, modernization of buildings, or machinery purchase and equipment. Loans may have either a 10- or 20-year term. A lender usually provides 50 percent of the total required amount, secured by first mortgage and up to 40 percent is provided by a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Certified Development Company. The borrower contributes at least 10 percent. SBA guarantees the Certified Development Company loan up to \$1 million.

#### Community Adjustment and Investment Program (CAIP); North American Development Bank—Domestic Window

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

The Community Adjustment and Investment Program North American Development Bank U.S. Department of the Treasury Phone: 202–622–7073

Web site: www.nadbank-caip.org

Program Description/Activities: The CAIP, a partnership between the U.S. Government and the North American Development Bank, helps create and sustain jobs in U.S. communities experiencing job dislocations attributable to changing trade patterns with Canada and Mexico related to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). CAIP provides financing to eligible communities, businesses, and workers by (1) making direct loans, (2) facilitating loan guarantees through agency programs with the U.S. Small Business Administration and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and (3) providing project and technical assistance grants to nonprofit organizations. CAIP financing programs are available in eligible counties throughout the United States that experience job losses related to NAFTA. CAIP eligibility is based on a county's unemployment rate and the number of certified NAFTA-related job losses.

In 1999 CAIP introduced a project and technical assistance grant program to complement its loan and loan guarantee programs. The CAIP grant program will provide funds to support the retention and creation of jobs in communities experiencing economic distress due to NAFTA. CAIP plans a second competitive grant program in 2000.

The CAIP Finance Committee, an interagency committee chaired by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, administers CAIP.

#### Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund

**Program Description/Activities:** The CDFI fund expands the availability of credit, investment capital, and financial services in distressed urban, rural, and Native American communities. By stimulating the creation and expansion of diverse CDFIs and by providing incentives to traditional banks and thrifts through the Bank Enterprise Award Program, the Fund's investments work to build private markets, create healthy local economies, promote entrepreneurship, restore neighborhoods, generate local tax revenues, and empower residents.

#### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of the Treasury Phone: 202–622–8662 Web site: www.treas.gov/cdfi

#### Related Category:

Business Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Small Business Answer Desk U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 1–800–8ASK–SBA (1–800–827–5722) Web site: www.sba.gov/financing/micro.html

#### Financing Your Business: Microloans

**Program Description/Activities:** This program increases the availability of very small loans to prospective small business borrowers. Under this program, the SBA makes funds available to nonprofit intermediaries, who in turn make loans to eligible borrowers in amounts up to \$25,000. The average loan size is \$10,500.

#### **Historic Preservation Fund**

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Historic Preservation Fund Heritage Preservation Services National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–343–9563 Web site: www2.cr.nps.gov **Program Description/Activities:** These matching grants are awarded to States, territories, Native American tribes, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation to encourage private and non-Federal investment in historic preservation efforts by providing grants. Funding is most often used to pay part of the costs of surveys and statewide historic preservation plans and to prepare National Register of Historic Places nominations, architectural plans, historic structures reports, and engineering studies. Fifty-nine fund awards are made to States and territories. Additional grants are awarded to Indian tribes each year. Activities funded include architectural, historical, and archeological surveys; nominations to the National Register of Historic Places; staff work for historic preservation commissions; design guidelines and preservation plans; public outreach materials such as publications, videos, exhibits, and brochures; training for commission members and staff; and rehabilitation or restoration of *National Register*-listed properties. States decide which projects receive grant assistance.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$44.8 million for FY 2000.

#### Mortgage Insurance for Hospitals

**Program Description/Activities:** The Federal Housing Administration, part of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), provides mortgage insurance that makes affordable capital available to acute care hospitals. The insured loans are originated by private, HUD-approved lenders (sometimes in cooperation with State health care finance agencies). Loan proceeds may be used for construction, modernization, equipment, expansion, and refinancing. Both for-profit and nonprofit hospitals are eligible. The principal authorizing legislation is found at Section 242 of the National Housing Act. Project sponsors should contact HUD's Office of Insured Health Care Facilities for more information.

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Health

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Insured Health Care Facilities U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Phone: 202–708–0599 Web site: www.hud.gov

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Investment Division
U.S. Small Business Administration
Phone: 202–205–6510
Web site: www.sba.gov/inv/

#### Small Business Investment Companies (SBIC) Program

Program Description/Activities: The SBIC Program helps to fill the gap between the availability of venture capital and the needs of small businesses in startup and growth situations. SBICs, licensed and regulated by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), are privately owned and managed investment firms that use their own capital, plus funds borrowed at favorable rates with an SBA guarantee, to make venture investments in small businesses. All SBICs are profit-motivated businesses. They provide equity capital, long-term loans, debt-equity investments, and management assistance to qualifying small businesses. Their incentive is the chance to share in the success of small businesses as they grow and prosper. Specialized SBICs, also known as 301(d) SBICs, invest in small businesses owned by entrepreneurs who are socially or economically disadvantaged (primarily members of minority groups).

### **Business Assistance**

#### Appalachian Regional Commission's Entrepreneurship Initiative

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Appalachian Regional Commission Phone: 202–884–7713 Web site: www.arc.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This 3-year initiative supports the basic economic needs of the region through the funding of activities aimed at boosting the creation of homegrown businesses in Appalachia. Funding is targeted to programs and projects in five key areas critical to entrepreneurship: access to capital and financial assistance, technical and managerial assistance, technology transfer, entrepreneurship education and training, and entrepreneurial networks.

Program Description/Activities: The Business and Industrial Guaranteed Loan Program helps create jobs and stimulate rural economies by guaranteeing loans for rural businesses. This program guarantees up to 90 percent of a loan made by a commercial lender. Loan proceeds may be used for working capital, machinery and equipment, buildings and real estate, and certain types of debt financing. The guarantees expand the lending capacity of private lenders in rural areas, which allows them to make and service loans that help improve the economic climate of the community. Assistance under the guaranteed loan program is available to virtually any legally organized entity, including a cooperative, corporation, partnership, trust, or other for-profit or nonprofit entity, Native American tribe or federally recognized tribal group, municipality, county, or other political subdivision of a State.

Business and Industrial Guaranteed and Direct Loans

The Business and Industrial Direct Loans Program provides loans to public entities and private parties that cannot obtain credit from other sources. Loans are issued for improving, developing, or financing business and industry; creating jobs; and improving the economic or environmental climate in rural communities (including public abatement). Eligible applicants include any legally organized entity, including cooperatives, corporations, partnerships, trust or other for-profit or nonprofit entities, Native American tribes or federally recognized tribal groups, municipalities, counties, any other political subdivision of a State, or individuals.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$850 million for guaranteed loans and \$50 million for direct loans in FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Rural Business–Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–0813 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

#### **HUBZone Empowerment Contracting Program**

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development, Welfare to Work

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Government Contracting U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–8885 Web site: www.sba.gov/hubzone/ Program Description/Activities: The HUBZone Empowerment Contracting Program is designed to stimulate economic development in selected urban and rural areas. (A HUBZone is a historically underutilized business zone.) The program provides contracting benefits to small businesses located in those areas. Small businesses have the opportunity to negotiate sole-source contracts and participate in restricted competition limited to HUBZone firms. Also, small companies located in HUBZone areas are allowed a 10-percent price evaluation preference in full and open contract competition.

#### Industrial Assessment Center (IAC) Program

**Program Description/Activities:** This program sponsors no-cost energy audits for small and medium-size manufacturers. The audits are conducted by teams of engineering faculty and students from 70 universities throughout the United States serving as industrial assessment centers. The teams evaluate energy use, waste, and productivity of eligible manufacturers within 150 miles of an IAC host campus.

#### Related Category: Economic Development

Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Industrial Technologies U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 202–586–1298 Web site: www.oit.doe.gov/iac/

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Rural Business–Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–0813 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

#### Intermediary Relending Program (IRP)

**Program Description/Activities:** IRP finances business facilities and community development projects in rural areas through loans made to intermediaries. Intermediaries in turn relend funds for business facilities or community development. Intermediaries establish revolving loan funds so collections from loans made to ultimate recipients in excess of necessary operating expenses and debt payments will be used for more loans. Intermediaries may be private nonprofit corporations, public agencies, Native American groups, or cooperatives.

All IRP loan funds received by an intermediary must be reloaned to ultimate recipients. Interest income and fees may be used for administrative costs, technical assistance to borrowers, or debt retirement. All collections from the operation of the IRP revolving loan fund not used for the above authorized expenses must be made available for relending to eligible ultimate recipients.

Grant/Award Amount: \$38.2 million for FY 2000.

#### Mentor-Protégé (MP) Program

## Related Category: Technical Assistance

Program/Agency Contact:

DoD Mentor-Protégé Program U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 1–800–553–1858 Web site: www.acg.osd.mil/sadbu/ **Program Description/Activities:** The MP Program provides incentives for major U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) prime contractors to mentor small, disadvantaged businesses and qualifying entities that employ severely disabled persons. Under this program, eligible protégés receive technical and business assistance designed to enable them to participate more successfully as prime contractors and subcontractors on DoD acquisitions.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Minority Business Development Agency U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–5061 Web site: www.mbda.gov

#### Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)

**Program Description/Activities:** MBDA funds business development centers nationwide to assist with the startup, expansion, and development of minority-owned firms offering quality goods and services. Minority Business Development Centers (MBDCs), Native American Business Development Centers (NABDCs), and Business Resource Centers (BRCs) provide business and technical assistance for bonding, bidding, estimation, financing, procurement, international trade, franchising, and joint ventures to increase opportunities in domestic and international markets for minority entrepreneurs.

The MBDA-funded centers are operated by for-profit and nonprofit organizations, State and local government agencies, Native American tribes, and educational institutions. The centers provide individualized assistance in the areas of accounting, administration, business planning, construction, and marketing. Operations are administered by MBDA's Regional and District Offices, which oversee the centers' business assistance services to minority entrepreneurs in five multistate regions.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1 million for technical assistance and access to capital.

#### Office of Business Initiatives (BI)

**Program Description/Activities:** The BI administers programs and activities designed to provide information, education, and training to prospective and existing small business owners. The office engages in cosponsorships with private-sector partners designed to provide small business owners with information, education, and training that is cost effective, of high quality, and reflective of trends in small business development.

The office administers the national Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) program and works with SCORE and other resource partners to maximize the number of clients provided counseling and training through the SBA. The activities of these resource partners are integrated with other SBA program offices to ensure that any small business receiving services from any SBA resource partner also receives information about

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Education, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Business Initiatives U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6655 Web site: www.sba.gov/Bl all of SBA's financial and business development products and services. BI develops and promotes the use of innovative outreach efforts to small business owners, which may include Business Information Centers, written materials, software, and other means of providing business development, business management, and business growth information. The office—in partnership with other Federal agencies—offers special purpose education, training, and information on topics of interest to the small business community such as small business tax and retirement issues.

#### Office of Business Liaison

#### **Related Categories:**

Economic Development, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Business Liaison U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–1360 Web site: www.osec.doc.gov/obl **Program Description/Activities:** The Office of Business Liaison serves as the primary point of contact between the U.S. Department of Commerce and the business community. Objectives of the office are to develop a proactive, responsive, and effective outreach program and relationship with the business community; inform the Secretary, the Department, and Administration officials of the critical issues facing the business community; inform the business community about resources, policies, and programs; and provide outreach to the business community including arranging regular meetings and briefings with Department officials.

#### Office of Government Contracting (GC)

Related Category: Equal Opportunity

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Government Contracting U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6460 Web site: www.sba.gov/gc/ **Program Description/Activities:** GC advocates, facilitates, and creates an environment for maximum participation by small disadvantaged and woman-owned small businesses and HUBZone businesses in contracts awarded by the U.S. Government and subcontracts awarded by its large prime contractors.

#### Office of Minority Enterprise Development

Related Category: Equal Opportunity

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Minority Enterprise Development U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6412

Web site: www.sba.gov/gcmed/index.html

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides business development assistance to socially and economically disadvantaged business persons to ensure that they have opportunities to participate more fully and successfully in the mainstream national economy.

# Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization's (OSDBU) Short Term Lending Program (STLP) and Bonding Assistance Program (BAP)

#### **Related Categories:**

Access to Capital, Economic Development, Equal Opportunity, Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Office of the Secretary U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 1–800–532–1169 Web site: osdbuweb.dot.gov Program Description/Activities: Many disadvantaged and womanowned business enterprises experience difficulty obtaining short-term working capital or obtaining bid, payment, and performance bonds for transportation-related projects. OSDBU STLP and BAP assist disadvantaged entrepreneurs and businesses in overcoming these problems. STLP provides revolving lines of credit to finance accounts receivable arising from transportation-related contracts. The maximum line of credit is \$500,000. BAP provides an 80-percent guarantee against losses on contracts up to \$1 million. Funding for the guarantees is provided by OSDBU and is operated through surety bond agents located in designated areas of the country. Applications for both programs can be obtained directly from the OSDBU Web site.

**Grant/Award Amount:** STLP: \$20 million for FY 2000. BAP: \$17 million guaranteed annually.

# One Stop Capital Shops (OSCS) Program, Office of Entrepreneurial Development, U.S. Small Business Administration

**Program Description/Activities:** OSCSs are partnerships between the U.S. Small Business Administration and local communities designed to offer small business assistance at conveniently located, customer-friendly centers. Each OSCS has a state-of-the-art Business Information Center, which includes business development software and Internet access, offers one-on-one business counseling, and facilitates financing and Government contracts.

### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Community Building, Economic Development, Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Entrepreneurial Development U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6706 Web site: www.sba.gov/onestop/

#### Related Category:

Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Defense Logistics Agency Small Business Office (DDAS) U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 703–767–1660

Web site: www.dla.mil/ddas/procurem.htm

# Procurement Technical Assistance (PTA) Cooperative Agreement Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The PTA program's mission is to help individuals and businesses learn about contracting and subcontracting with the U.S. Department of Defense, other Federal agencies, or State and local government entities. PTA counselors provide specialized and professional assistance with marketing and preparing proposals, and technical guidance by conducting educational seminars on procurement matters.

#### Rural Business Opportunity Grants (RBOGs)

#### **Related Categories:**

Access to Capital, Economic Development, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–0813 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov **Program Description/Activities:** Funds provide for technical assistance, training, and planning activities that improve economic conditions in rural areas. Applicants must be located outside cities of more than 10,000 persons. Nonprofit corporations and public bodies are eligible. The program is designed to promote sustainable economic development in rural communities with exceptional needs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Allocation for FY 2000 is \$2.5 million.

#### Related Categories:

Education, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

**SCORE** 

U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 1–800–634–0245 Web site: www.score.org

#### Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE)

**Program Description/Activities:** SCORE, a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration, is a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth, and success of small businesses nationwide. More than 12,000 volunteer members provide individual counseling and business workshops for aspiring entrepreneurs and small business owners. SCORE counseling is free and confidential.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Equal Opportunity, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. General Services Administration Office of Enterprise Development Phone: 202–501–1021 Web site: www.gsa.gov/oed

#### Small Business Development

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. General Services Administration's Office of Enterprise Development (OED) is the agency's advocate for the small business community. OED promotes and facilitates programs and activities that provide access to opportunity to small, minority, and women business owners involved in GSA contracting activities nationwide. OED nurtures entrepreneurial opportunities, opens doors to new business horizons, and enhances technological capabilities. These activities make it possible for the small business community to meet key contracting experts and be counseled on the procurement process. Activities include procurement networking sessions, marketing strategies and techniques workshops, electronic commerce/electronic data interchange training sessions, interagency networking sessions, trade missions, roundtables, workshops for historically black colleges and universities, and procurement conferences. Activities are supported through Small Business Centers in 11 regional offices across the Nation and Small Business Technical Advisors in the procuring activities of both the central and regional offices.

#### Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Programs

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Small Business Development Centers

U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6766 Web site: www.sbdc.org **Program Description/Activities:** SBDC programs provide management assistance to current and prospective small business owners. SBDCs offer one-stop assistance to small businesses by providing a wide variety of information and guidance in central and easily accessible branch locations. SBA awards 58 cooperative agreements to institutions of higher education and State government institutions. The agreements, subject to 100-percent matching funds, are based on a population formula and range from \$500,000 to \$8.7 million.

#### Related Categories:

Web site: home.doe.gov

Equal Opportunity, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Economic Impact and Diversity/
Office of Small and Disadvantaged
Business Utilization
U.S. Department of Energy
Phone: 202–586–8383

#### Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides small, minority, and women-owned businesses with management and technical assistance to overcome barriers. The U.S. Department of Energy helps business owners identify barriers to achieving contracting goals by developing innovative strategies to increase business opportunities.

# **Community Building**

## Related Category:

Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202–708–5126 Web site: www.cfda.gov U.S. Government Printing Office

Phone: 202-512-1800

#### **Accessing Federal Assistance**

**Program Description/Activities:** Annually, the U.S. General Services Administration publishes the *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance*, a government-wide compendium of information on programs, projects, services, and activities that assist communities. It contains listings of both financial and nonfinancial assistance programs administered by the Federal Government. The catalog provides communities with access to programs administered by various Federal departments and agencies in a single publication. The publication can be accessed online and is searchable by topic. Printed copies can be obtained by contacting the Government Printing Office.

#### AmeriCorps\*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)

#### Related Categories:

Disaster Relief, Education, Environment, Human Services and Family Support, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

AmeriCorps\*NCCC Corporation for National Service Phone: 202–606–5000 Web site: www.nationalservice.org **Program Description/Activities:** AmeriCorps\*NCCC is a 10-month, full-time residential service program for men and women ages 18 to 24. Members conduct projects in the areas of education, public safety, the environment, unmet needs, and disaster relief across the country. AmeriCorps\*NCCC combines the best practices of civilian service with the best aspects of military service, including leadership and team building. Members live on one of five campuses in Aurora, Colorado; Charleston, South Carolina; Perry Point, Maryland; San Diego, California; and Washington, D.C.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$18 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Education, Environment, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Corporation for National Service Phone: 202–606–5000 Web site: www.nationalservice.org

#### AmeriCorps\*State/National

**Program Description/Activities:** AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than 45,000 Americans in intensive, results-driven service each year through more than 700 programs. Most AmeriCorps members are selected by and serve with local and national organizations like the American Red Cross, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Clubs, and Habitat for Humanity. After their terms of service, AmeriCorps members receive education awards to help finance college or pay back student loans.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$234 million for FY 2000 (total includes money appropriated for education award-only programs).

# AmeriCorps\*VISTA

#### Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Related Categories:

Corporation for National Service Phone: 202–606–5000 Web site: www.nationalservice.org bers of AmeriCorps\*VISTA serve full-time and live in the communities they serve, creating programs that can continue after they complete their service.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$81 million in corporation funding for FY 2000.

**Program Description/Activities:** AmeriCorps\*VISTA (Volunteers in

communities for 35 years. The program is dedicated to increasing the

capability of people to improve the conditions of their own lives. Mem-

Service to America) members have served economically challenged

## Center for Urban Development and Livability

#### Related Category: **Technical Assistance**

Program/Agency Contact:

Public Buildings Service U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202-501-1881 Web site: goodneighbor.gsa.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** As the Nation's largest urban-oriented real estate organization, the U.S. General Service Administration (GSA) controls more than 300 million square feet of space in more than 1,600 cities, including 60 where the agency manages more than 1 million square feet of space. GSA established the Center for Urban Development and Livability to take advantage of opportunities to leverage Federal real estate actions in ways that aid community efforts to encourage smart growth, economic vitality, and cultural vibrancy. The center represents GSA's commitment to working with communities as a partner in the revitalization of their downtown areas. The center oversees the implementation of Executive Orders 12072 and 13006, which require Federal agencies to locate in downtown areas, particularly in central business and historic districts. By linking Federal buildings, services, and employees to communities through the creation of public plazas, civic squares, and transportation centers, the agency uses its Federal assets to spur local development and revive urban centers. The center provides technical assistance to community groups, downtown businesses, and property owners, and local leadership on federally related projects to foster livable communities and enhance the vitality of urban areas.

## Good Neighbor Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The Good Neighbor Program is part of the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA's) overall commitment to ensuring quality work environments for Federal employees while helping revitalize the Nation's communities. This program, administered by GSA's Center for Urban Development and Livability, represents the agency's approach to using its Federal facilities in ways to encourage activities to reach into local neighborhoods and invite people into Federal buildings. The agency promotes use of its civic plazas, ground floor retail, and public lobbies, and participates in community revitalization efforts through integrated planning and involvement in local development initiatives. Through this program GSA is building partnerships to support healthy, safe, and vibrant communities.

### Related Categories: Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

Program/Agency Contact:

Public Buildings Service U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202-501-1881 Web site: goodneighbor.gsa.gov

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Housing and Homelessness

#### Program/Agency Contact:

**HUD SuperNOFA Information Center** U.S. Department of Housing and **Urban Development** Phone: 1-800-HUD-8929

Web site: www.hud.gov

## **HUD SuperNOFA**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Super Notification of Funds Availability (SuperNOFA) announces the availability of HUD competitive grant program funds covering a broad range of programs that help build affordable housing, boost employment, revitalize distressed public housing, fund fair housing enforcement, and provide assistance to homeless people. Through the SuperNOFA approach, HUD makes it possible for applicants to be better able to design comprehensive, coordinated strategies that effectively address the complex problems facing their communities. Grant applicants can obtain information on grant programs, copies

of program regulations, and other information that will help them prepare and submit their funding requests from one source: the SuperNOFA Information Center or online at www.hud.gov under Funds Available.

**Grant/Award Amount:** More than \$2.4 billion for FY 2000.

## National Senior Service Corps

**Program Description/Activities:** Through the National Senior Service Corps, nearly one-half million Americans age 55 and older share their time and talents to help solve local problems. Many serve as Foster Grandparents who work one-on-one with young people with special needs, Senior Companions who help other seniors live independently in their homes, or volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program who meet a wide range of community needs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$182 million in corporation funding for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Corporation for National Service Phone: 202–606–5000 Web site: www.nationalservice.org

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Environment

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Public Buildings Service U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202–501–1881 Web Site: goodneighbor.gsa.gov

## Planning With Communities Program

**Program Description/Activities:** As the primary manager of the Federal Government's real estate, the U.S. General Service Administration's (GSA's) business decisions have a significant impact on communities. Through location decisions and the development and disposal of property, GSA can either detract from or enhance community development efforts. Through its Planning With Communities Program, GSA is committed to strengthening its relationship with communities by collaborating with them on local and Federal development efforts. By creating a forum for open dialogue, building local partnerships, sharing information on development goals, and participating in collaborative planning efforts, GSA has established a framework for working with communities nationwide. This new approach to doing business with communities is administered through GSA's Center for Urban Development and Livability.

## **Substance Abuse Prevention Programs**

**Program Description/Activities:** Substance abuse prevention grants to States, local governments, and other organizations support abuse prevention efforts focused on vulnerable populations and at-risk communities and statewide approaches targeting youth.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$146 million estimated for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Phone: 301–443–0365
Web site: www.samhsa.gov

## **Economic Development**

## Additional Section 179 Expensing

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U.S. Department of Treasury Phone: 1–800–829–1040 Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov

Related Category:

**Program Description/Activities:** This incentive increases the tax deductions that a business located in an Empowerment Zone (EZ) can claim for "qualified zone property" in the tax year it is placed in service, under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code, up to certain maximum levels. Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code provides a tax deduction that any business can elect to claim for certain qualifying property in the tax year it is placed in service. However, these levels are increased for certain qualified zone property placed in service by an EZ business.

**Grant/Award Amount:** EZ businesses that place in service certain qualified zone property are permitted an extra \$20,000 per year in Section 179 deductions. Information about the increased deduction can be found in IRS Publication 954, *Tax Incentives for Empowerment Zones and Other Distressed Communities.* 

## American Heritage Rivers Initiative

**Program Description/Activities:** This program supports local community efforts to revitalize and maintain riverfront areas. Local communities can apply for assistance through their State and metropolitan planning organizations. Eligible projects include those that will improve the economic or environmental viability of riverfront neighborhoods and districts.

#### Related Categories: Environment, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

American Heritage Rivers Task Force Council on Environmental Quality Phone: 202–395–5750 Web site: www.epa.gov/rivers

## Related Category: Environment

Program/Agency Contact:

Financial Management Division
Office of Block Grant Assistance
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1871
Web site: www.bud.gov/80/cpd/econde

Web site: www.hud.gov:80/cpd/econdev/bedihome.html

## Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** BEDI grants target Economic Development Initiative funds to brownfields projects. BEDI grants are made to local governments for use in supporting brownfield redevelopment activities and projects financed in whole or in part with Section 108 loan guarantees.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$25 million for FY 2000.

#### **Brownfields Tax Incentive**

## Related Category:

Environment

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Income Tax and Accounting, Branch 5
Internal Revenue Service
U.S. Department of Treasury
Phone: 202–622–4950
Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** The Brownfields Tax Incentive allows property owners to deduct certain environmental remediation costs as a business expense rather than capitalizing them as a property improvement. This provision benefits taxpayers by reducing their present tax liability. The incentive reduces the cost of environmental remediation, thereby prompting cleanups and the redevelopment of brownfields in distressed areas. Eligible areas must be approved by the State agency responsible for brownfields redevelopment.

### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Community Building, Education, Environment, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Urban areas:

Phone: 202–708–1577 Rural areas:

Phone: 202-708-1322

Web site: www.hud.gov:80/cpd/progdesc/

cdbgent.html

## Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The CDBG program provides annual formula grants to entitled metropolitan cities (50,000 or more people) and urban counties (200,000 or more people) and to States for distribution to nonentitled communities to carry out a wide range of community development activities. Funded activities include construction of public facilities and improvements (streets, sidewalks, sewers, and water systems); public services for youth, seniors, or the disabled; crime reduction initiatives; homeless and housing services; and direct assistance and technical assistance to for-profit businesses (including microenterprises).

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$4.24 billion for FY 2000.

#### Related Category:

Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Economic Adjustment, OUSD (Acquisitions) U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 703–604–6020 Web site: emissary.acq.osd.mil/oea/ home.nsf

## Community Economic Adjustment Planning Assistance

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Department of Defense provides assistance for local governments or a State on behalf of a local government to undertake community economic adjustment planning activities to support the closure or realignment of a military installation and/or other defense-related economic impacts. Activities include, but are not limited to, staffing, operating, and administrative costs and general or specialized community economic adjustment studies.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Range of award is \$50,000 to \$500,000.

## Community Outreach Partnership Centers (COPCs)

**Program Description/Activities:** COPC is a competitive grant program that provides funds to colleges and universities to form or expand centers for research, provide outreach activities, and exchange information focused on communities and neighborhoods.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$8 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Community Building, Disaster Relief, Education, Environment, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Policy Development and Research Office of University Partnerships U.S. Department of Housing and **Urban Development** Phone: 202-708-1537

#### Related Category:

Web site: www.oup.org

Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202-366-5010 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov

## Corridors and Borders Program

**Program Description/Activities:** In recognition of the importance of border infrastructure and corridors used for international trade, the National Corridor Planning and Development (NCPD) and Coordinated Border Infrastructure (CBI) programs (sections 1118 and 1119 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century [TEA 21]) were established. The purpose of the NCPD program is to provide allocations to States and metropolitan planning organizations for coordinated planning, design, and construction of corridors of national significance, economic growth, and international and interregional trade. The purpose of the CBI program is to improve the safe movement of people and goods at or across the border between the United States and Canada and the border between the United States and Mexico. These two programs are funded from a single source.

**Grant/Award Amount:** The combined authorized funding is \$140 million each year from FY 1999 to FY 2003 (\$700 million total).

## **Economic Adjustment Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Economic Adjustment Program helps States and local areas design and implement strategies for facilitating adjustment to changes in their economic situations that affect the underlying economic base. Such changes may occur suddenly (sudden and severe economic dislocation) or over time (long-term economic deterioration) and result from industrial or corporate restructuring, new Federal laws or requirements, reductions in defense expenditures, depletion of natural resources, or natural disasters. Strategy grants provide resources to organize and carry out a planning process tailored to the particular economic problems of the affected area(s). Implementation grants may be used to support activities identified in an adjustment strategy approved by the Economic Development Administration. Implementation activities include creation or expansion of strategically targeted business development and financing programs, including grants for revolving loan funds, infrastructure improvements, organizational development, and market or industry research and analysis.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$77.3 million for Defense Conversion and \$34.6 million for Regular Programs in FY 2000.

## Related Category:

Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

**Economic Adjustment Division** U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202-482-2659 Web site: www.doc.gov/eda

## **Economic Development Initiative (EDI)**

**Program Description/Activities:** EDI provides grants to be used in tandem with Section 108 guaranteed loans for economic revitalization projects. These grants will enhance the viability of such projects (through interest rate subsidies and debt service/operating reserves) and increase the likelihood that the Section 108 loans can be repaid from project revenue.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$24.1 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Disaster Relief, Education, Environment, Equal Opportunity, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Financial Management Division Office of Block Grant Assistance U.S. Department of Housing and **Urban Development** Phone: 202-708-1871 Web site: www.hud.gov

#### Program/Agency Contact:

**Employee Benefits and Exempt Organizations** Internal Revenue Service U.S. Department of Treasury Phone: 202-622-6060 Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov

## **Empowerment Zone (EZ) Employment Credit**

**Program Description/Activities:** The EZ Employment Credit allows businesses located in an EZ to claim a tax credit for a portion of the wages of a "qualified zone employee."

**Grant/Award Amount:** The credit calculation for wages paid or incurred before 2002, and for the years 2002–2004, is presented in IRS Form 8844. Other information regarding the employment credit and other tax credits is available in IRS Publication 954 and in Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community Tax Incentives: A Guide for Businesses, published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the U.S. Department of Agriculture in spring 2000.

## **Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities Program is designed to empower people and communities across the Nation by inspiring Americans to work together to create jobs and opportunities. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) manages the urban EZs while the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) manages the rural effort. This program is seen as a first step in rebuilding poverty-stricken communities in America's inner cities and rural heartland. The program is overseen by the President's Community Empowerment Board (CEB), which is chaired by Vice President Al Gore. The CEB works to coordinate the many Federal agencies to better serve distressed communities. The key principles of the program are economic opportunity, sustainable community development, community-based partnerships, and a strategic vision for change. The EZ/EC office within HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development assists EZ/ECs in developing community development strategies to support employers and people looking for work. USDA's Office of Rural Development provides technical assistance to rural communities with professional support and development of information systems to support community development functions. Both urban and rural EZ/EC communities receive information on best practices, community development training, strategic guidance, community development publications, and funding opportunities.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Community Building, Disaster Relief, Education, Environment, Equal Opportunity, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Community Empowerment Board (CEB) Web site: www.ceb.hud.gov

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Development Phone: 202-708-6339

Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/ezec/ ezeclist.html

U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202-619-7981 Hotline: 1-800-645-4712

1-800-851-3403

Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov/ocd/index

#### Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives

#### Related Category: Community Building

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Heritage Preservation Services National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–343–9594 Web site: www.cr.nps.gov **Program Description/Activities:** Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives are available for buildings listed in the *National Register* of *Historic Places* or located in certain historic districts that are substantially rehabilitated for income-producing purposes according to standards set by the Secretary of the Interior. Jointly managed by the National Park Service and the Internal Revenue Service, in partnership with State Historic Preservation Offices, the program rewards private investment by providing a 20-percent tax credit for rehabilitating historic buildings. The program has been responsible for more than 28,000 historic properties being rehabilitated through private investment of more than \$20 billion.

## Program/Agency Contact:

Loan Making Division Farm Service Agency U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–2953 Web site: www.fsa.usda.gov

## Indian Tribes and Tribal Corporation Loans

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides direct loans to Native American tribes and tribal corporations to purchase land within tribal reservations and Alaskan communities. Loans are available only to organizations with a reasonable prospect of repayment that have been unable to find other sources of credit.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1 million for FY 2000.

## Related Categories:

Health, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Partnership and Alliances
U.S. Department of Defense
Phone: 703–693–8618
Web site: raweb.osd.mil/initiatives/IRT

## Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) Program

Program Description/Activities: The IRT program provides valuable military training and helps address serious community needs within the United States and its territories and possessions. The program is a partnership effort between local communities and active and reserve National Guard units. Individuals and units involved are primarily combat support and combat service support (such as medical, dental, and engineering). All IRT projects are training options compatible with Mission Essential Task List training requirements. The IRT program provides military personnel with the opportunity to train in support of the communities where they live. Specific projects include providing medical and dental health services to underserved populations as well as road and house construction on reservations.

**Grant Award/Amount:** Approximately \$7.5 million for FY 2000.

## International Trade Administration (ITA)

Related Categories: Access to Capital, Technical Assistance

Program/Agency Contact: International Trade Administration U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 1–800–872–8723 Web site: www.ita.doc.gov Program Description/Activities: ITA helps U.S. businesses compete in the global marketplace by assisting U.S. exporters, ensuring that U.S. businesses have access to foreign markets, and enabling U.S. businesses to compete against unfairly traded imports. ITA has four principal units. The Commercial Service offers business counseling, including market research, trade promotion, and programs to U.S. exporters. Through its Matchmaker Program, the Commercial Service helps small and medium-size companies establish business relationships in major markets abroad via trade missions and other programs. Trade Development provides information from industry-sector specialists to U.S. exporters, policymakers, and trade negotiators. Market Access and Compliance has country experts who provide market analysis to U.S. business and ensure that other nations live up to their trade agreements. Import Administration impartially enforces U.S. trade laws, ensuring that U.S. businesses have a level playing field in the domestic marketplace.

## Municipal Energy Management Program (MEMP)

Program Description/Activities: This program encourages the development and transfer of energy-efficient and environmentally responsible technologies to municipalities. The U.S. Department of Energy, in partnership with the Urban Consortium Energy Task Force, awards grants for applied research and technology transfer to eligible governments and U.S.-recognized tribal governments. MEMP has funded more than 300 projects that demonstrate innovative energy technologies and energy management tools through the Urban Consortium Energy Task Force. MEMP requires grant applicants to seek partnerships with other public entities, private industries, universities, Federal energy laboratories, and R&D organizations.

**Grant/Award Amount:** The program was designated as completed in FY 2000.

## Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Environment, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 202–586–4074 Web site: www.eren.doe.gov/buildings

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Infrastructure, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Public Works U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–2873 Web site: www.doc.gov/eda

## Planning Program

**Program Description/Activities:** Grants under this program assist economically distressed States, sub-State planning regions, cities, and urban counties to undertake significant new economic development planning, policymaking, and implementation efforts. Grants provide financial assistance to support significant economic development planning and implementation activities such as economic analysis, definition of program goals, determination of project opportunities, and formulation and implementation of a development program. Assistance under this program enhances economic development planning capability and continuous economic development planning processes and procedures and helps build institutional capacity. A grant award under this program is generally for a period of 12 to 18 months.

**Grant/Award Amount:** State program: \$24 million for FY 2000.

## Public Works and Development Facilities Program

Related Categories: Community Building, Infrastructure, Workforce Development

Program/Agency Contact:

Public Works U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–5265 Web site: www.doc.gov/eda **Program Description/Activities:** Grants are provided to help distressed communities attract new industries, encourage business expansion, diversify local economies, and generate long-term, private-sector jobs. Projects funded include water and sewer facilities primarily serving industry and commerce, access roads to industrial parks or sites, port improvements, and business incubator facilities. A proposed project must be located within or provide a substantial direct benefit to an area in severe economic distress, that is, one that is experiencing high unemployment, low per capita income, or sudden economic changes such as those caused by a military base closure.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$204.5 million for FY 2000.

## Related Category:

Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Building Technology State and Community Program U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 1–800–D0E–3732 Web site: www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/ rebuild

## Related Category:

**Business Assistance** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–0813 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

### Rebuild America

**Program Description/Activities:** Rebuild America is a voluntary network of community partnerships working to improve the energy efficiency of their communities' buildings. Working on a local level, Rebuild America helps community organizations access innovative technologies, industry services, customized assistance, and an array of business and technical tools. The program focuses on five building sectors: private commercial, State and local governments, K–12 schools, universities and colleges, and public and assisted housing.

## **Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** These grants help public bodies, nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized tribal groups finance and facilitate development of small and emerging private business enterprises located in rural areas. Grant funds can pay for land acquisition and development, construction of buildings and plants, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility and service extensions, refinancing, and fees for professional services.

Grant/Award Amount: \$34.6 million for FY 2000.

## **Rural Cooperative Development Grants**

**Program Description/Activities:** Rural Cooperative Development Grants are used to establish and operate rural technology and cooperative development centers to improve the economic condition in rural areas. Funded activities promote the development and commercialization of new services and products that can be produced or provided in rural areas. Eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations including institutions of higher education.

Grant/Award Amount: \$1.7 million for FY 2000.

## Related Category:

**Business Assistance** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Specialty Lenders Division Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–8460 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

## **Rural Economic Development Grants**

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Specialty Lenders Division Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–1400 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides grants to rural communities through Rural Utilities Service (RUS) borrowers, to be used for revolving loan funds for community facilities and infrastructure and for assistance in conjunction with rural economic development loans. Funds may be granted to any RUS borrower who is not financially distressed, delinquent on any Federal debt, or in bankruptcy proceedings. Grants are made for project feasibility studies/technical assistance, community development assistance (nonprofit and public bodies), projects where public forprofit or nonprofit entities provide education and training to rural residents to facilitate economic development, and projects where public for-profit and nonprofit entities provide medical care to rural residents.

Grant funds for the purpose of establishing revolving loan funds will be provided only to RUS borrowers on a non-passthrough basis. RUS borrowers will, in turn, provide no-interest loans to foster rural economic development. Initial loan funds may be used for business incubators by non-profit groups, community development, facilities and equipment for education, and facilities and equipment for medical care.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$4 million for FY 2000.

## **Rural Economic Development Loans**

**Program Description/Activities:** These direct loans made to electric and telephone utilities financed by the Rural Utilities Service promote economic development and job creation projects. Funds can be used for project feasibility studies, startup costs, incubator projects, and other reasonable expenses to foster rural development.

Grant/Award Amount: \$15 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Special Lenders Division Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–1400 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Equal Opportunity

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Minority Enterprise Development U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6459 Web site: www.sba.gov/

## Section 8(a) Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The Section 8(a) Program provides servicing, marketing support, Federal Government contracts, and other business development assistance to small companies owned by socially and economically disadvantaged persons. The Section 8(a) Program works to foster business ownership and the competitive viability of small firms owned by individuals who are socially and economically disadvantaged and to expand their participation in Federal procurement of equipment, products, and services.

#### Section 108 Loan Guarantee

#### **Related Categories:**

Access to Capital, Business Assistance, Disaster Relief, Education, Environment, Equal Opportunity, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Financial Management Division
Office of Block Grant Assistance
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1871

Web site: www.hud.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** Through Section 108, HUD guarantees notes issued by units of general local government. Funds finance economic revitalization and development activities that include housing and rehabilitation of privately owned buildings for residential purposes; expansion of for-profit businesses; financing and rehabilitation of low-income and public housing; acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of neighborhood and community facilities; site improvement on community-owned land leased to a developer for a commercial or industrial development project; site development; purchase of land or buildings for economic development; and infrastructure development that includes street reconstruction and/or sewer system repairs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.26 billion for FY 2000.

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 703–588–8631 Web site: www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu

## Selling to the Military, Department of Defense (DoD)

**Program Description/Activities:** The major DoD procurement offices and the products and services they purchase are listed in *Selling to the Military*. This publication serves as a marketing guide for businesses interested in becoming suppliers of products or services to DoD. This publication is an introduction to the broad subject of contracting with DoD agencies and can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402; or downloaded from DoD's Web site.

## Small Business Specialist, Department of Defense (DoD)

Program/Agency Contact:
Office of Small and Disadvantaged
Business Utilization
U.S. Department of Defense
Phone: 703–588–8631
Web site: www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu

**Program Description/Activities:** The military services and defense agencies have contracting offices located throughout the United States. Each office is assigned a small business specialist to assist small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, and women-owned small business firms in marketing their products and services to DoD. These specialists provide information on defense procurement procedures as well as guidance in marketing to the Government and identifying prime contract and subcontract opportunities. These specialists' names are listed in *Small Business Specialist,* a publication that should be used in conjunction with *Selling to the Military*. Both publications can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402; or downloaded from DoD's Web site.

## State Energy Program (SEP)/SEP Special Projects

## Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Environment

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Building Technology State and Community Program U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 202–586–4074 Web site: www.eren.doe.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides funding to States to address both national energy initiatives and local priorities. Businesses can partner or subcontract with their State to access these funds. Under the program's guidelines, States implement energy-efficiency and renewable energy activities through a wide range of possible projects across all energy-use sectors: buildings, industry, utilities, and transportation. SEP special projects provide for competitively awarded financial assistance for a range of energy-efficiency and renewable projects.

**Grant/Award Amount:** For SEP, \$33.5 million for FY 2000; FY 2001 request is \$37 million. For SEP Special Projects, approximately \$14 million for FY 2000.

## Tax-Exempt Bond Financing

**Program Description/Activities:** Tax-exempt Enterprise Zone facility bonds generally have lower interest rates than conventional financing. To qualify, 95 percent or more of the net proceeds of the bond issue must be used to finance qualified zone property where the principal user is an Enterprise Zone Business.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Maximum bond financing is \$3 million per business within a specific zone and \$20 million per business across all zones, subject to State volume caps.

### Program/Agency Contact:

Technical Department Internal Revenue Service U.S. Department of Treasury Phone: 1–800–829–1040 Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Health, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

National Telecommunications and Information Administration U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–2048 Web site: www.ntia.doc.gov

## **Technology Opportunity Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides matching grants to nonprofit organizations such as schools, libraries, hospitals, public safety entities, and State and local governments. Grants fund projects that improve the quality of, and the public's access to, education, healthcare, public safety, and other community-based services. The grants are used to purchase computer equipment and software, train staff and users, and provide connections to the Internet. Funds also support evaluation and dissemination of project findings.

Grant/Award Amount: \$4.5 million for FY 2000.

## Transportation and Marketing

Related Categories: Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

Program/Agency Contact:
Transportation and Marketing Division
Agricultural Marketing Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Phone: 202–690–1300
Web site: www.ams.usda.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** This program develops and promotes efficient agriculture transportation systems to help improve farm income, expand exports, and meet the needs of rural America. The program provides technical and administrative direction, coordination, training, and leadership in the development and execution of agricultural transportation policies. Transportation services provide a basis for Federal-State decisionmakers in regulatory, policy, and legislative matters to ensure that the transportation needs of rural communities and agriculture are met.

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 202–401–9333 Web site: www.acf.dhhs.gov

## Urban and Rural Community Economic Development Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The program supports projects that provide employment and ownership opportunities for low-income individuals through employment skills development and business and commercial development. It is designed to improve the quality of the economic and social environment of low-income residents in economically depressed areas.

Funds will be awarded in FY 2000 in the following seven priority areas:

- **Operational Grants** provide employment and community development opportunities for low-income persons through business, physical, or commercial development.
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) provide funds to community development corporations (CDCs) in conjunction with HBCUs for the purpose stated above under Operational Grants.
- **Pre-Developmental Grants** develop a business plan related to one or more projects and mobilize resources to be contributed to one of those projects.
- **Training and Technical Assistance** develop instructional programs, national conferences, seminars, and other activities to assist community development corporations.
- Administration and Management Expertise (Set-Aside) provide administrative and management expertise to OCS-funded grantees who have less experience with the day-to-day issues and challenges presented in promoting community economic development, as well as to those grantees who have encountered obstacles in operating their work programs.
- **Developmental Grants** provide employment and community development opportunities for low-income individuals through business, physical, or commercial development.
- Rural Community Development Activities help low-income rural communities develop the capacity and expertise to establish and/or maintain affordable, adequate, and safe water and wastewater treatment facilities.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Approximately \$26.5 million in FY 2000.

## Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC)

## Related Category: Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Employee Benefits and Exempt Organizations Internal Revenue Service U.S. Department of Treasury Phone: 202–622–6060 Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This credit encourages the hiring of economically disadvantaged workers who live within an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community. To qualify the employer for the 40-percent credit on up to \$6,000 of wages (\$3,000 for summer youth), a certified individual must work for the employer for at least 400 hours in a year. A credit of 25 percent of wages up to \$6,000 (\$3,000 for summer youth) is available to the employer for certified individuals who work 120 to 399 hours. The credit applies only to wages paid during the first year of employment. The credit for a qualifying summer youth applies only to wages paid for work during any 90-day period between May 1 and September 15.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Maximum credit amount per worker is \$2,400; for summer youth, \$1,200. WOTC is scheduled to end and does not apply to individuals who begin work after December 31, 2000.

## **Education**

## 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Related Categories: Community Building, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

## **Program/Agency Contact:**Office of Educational Research and

Improvement
U.S. Department of Education
Phone: 202–260–3420

Web site: www.ed.gov/21stcclc

**Program Description/Activities:** The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program awards grants to rural and inner-city public schools, or consortia of such schools, to develop projects that benefit the educational, health, social services, cultural, and recreational needs of communities. School-based community learning centers can provide a safe, drugfree, supervised haven for children and their families. Grants awarded under this program may be used to plan, implement, or expand community learning centers.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$453.7 million for FY 2000.

## Bilingual Education—Comprehensive School Grants

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–205–5463 Web site: www.ed.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides grants for bilingual education, English as a second language programs, and other special alternative instructional programs. Programs should reform, restructure, and upgrade existing programs that serve all limited English proficient (LEP) students in a particular school. Grants may be used for family education, parent outreach, curriculum development, instructional materials, improved assessment procedures, education software, tutoring and counseling, training programs to improve services to LEP students, or compensation of personnel trained to serve LEP students.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$20 million for FY 2000. Range of awards is \$150,000 to \$275,000. An expected 100 awards will be made in a 60-month period.

## Bilingual Education Professional Development

Program Description/Activities: The Bilingual Education Professional Development initiative helps school districts meet the critical need for teachers skilled in educating limited English proficient (LEP) children. Funds may be used for developing effective instructional and assessment methodologies for educational personnel, supporting preservice and inservice professional development, upgrading qualifications and skills of educational personnel to meet high professional standards, and providing graduate fellowship awards for study and research related to the instruction of LEP students. Grants are available to institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, local educational agencies, and State educational agencies in three categories: Teachers and Personnel, Career Ladder, and Training for All Teachers.

Grant/Award Amount: \$75 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–205–8842 Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/obemla/fy2000.htm

## Related Categories:

Health, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Telecommunications, Rural Utilities Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–9549 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

## Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Loans and Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** The DLT program is designed specifically to meet the educational and healthcare needs of rural America. Direct Treasury-rate loans, grants, and loan and grant combinations provide funding for advanced telecommunications technologies to help rural residents find solutions to problems that face rural educators and healthcare providers. The program asks recipients to define the educational or healthcare problems that face their rural communities, determine how financial assistance can help, and explain why they need the U.S. Department of Agriculture's assistance.

**Grant/Award Amount:** For FY 2000, \$20 million in grants and \$200 million in loans will be made available for distance learning and telemedicine projects serving rural America. Maximum award amounts are \$350,000 for grants; \$10 million for loans; and a 10:1 ratio for a loan/grant combination.

## Educational Technology: Preparing America for the 21st Century

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Technical Assistance, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Educational Technology U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–502–7788 Web site: www.ed.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program promotes the integration of technology into classroom curriculum by teachers. Grants are available on a competitive basis to support partnerships that seek to improve teacher preparedness and foster collaboration across disciplines and among State educational agencies, institutions of higher learning, local educational agencies, elementary and secondary schools, and the private sector. Through these partnerships, universities and colleges will expand and build capacity by preparing teachers to use technology in all instructional areas. Awards may be used to support faculty development in using technology, expand initiatives for teacher technology competence, create technology-based teaching tools and resources, and provide field experiences focused on teaching with technology.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$75 million for FY 2000. The program will make 15 catalyst awards averaging \$600,000 each for 3 years and 88 implementation awards averaging \$400,000 each for 3 years.

## Elementary and Secondary Education Act—Part A of Title 1

Program Description/Activities: This program supports local educational agencies in providing quality opportunities for students in high-poverty schools. Title 1 funds may be used to support a variety of activities designed to help educationally disadvantaged children in high-poverty areas reach high academic standards. These activities can include supplemental instruction in basic and more advanced skills during the school day, before- and afterschool programs, summer school programs, preschool programs, alternative school programs, programs featuring home visits, parent education, and childcare.

#### Related Categories:

Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education Compensatory Education Program U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–260–0826 Web site: www.ed.gov

#### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–260–0826 Web site: www.ed.gov

## **Even Start—State Education Agencies**

**Program Description/Activities:** Even Start is a family-focused, State-administered program that provides participating families with an integrated program of early childhood education, adult literacy and basic skills instruction, and parenting education. All projects have some home-based instruction and provide for the joint participation of parents and children age 7 years or younger. This program is administered by States. Legislation requires collaboration between schools and communities in the application and implementation processes and gives priority to projects that serve families in eligible Title 1 schoolwide attendance areas.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$150 million for FY 2000.

#### **GEAR UP**

## Related Category: Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–502–7676 Web site: www.ed.gov/gearup Program Description/Activities: GEAR UP is a national effort to encourage more young people to have high expectations, stay in school and study hard, and go to college through supporting early college awareness and preparation activities and providing academic support for low-income students. Funding is divided between Partnership Grants and State Grants. Partnership projects must serve entire grade levels of students and begin no later than the seventh grade. These grants will be awarded to locally designed partnerships among colleges, low-income middle schools and secondary schools, and community partners. State projects must provide both early college preparation and awareness activities and scholarships for participating students. All States are eligible to apply for State grants.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$200 million in FY 2000.

## Learn and Serve America: School- and Community-Based Programs

Program Description/Activities: The major purpose of Learn and Serve America is to fund school-, campus-, and community-based service-learning programs for youth in kindergarten through higher education. These programs engage youth in service to their communities to enrich academic learning, promote personal growth, and help them develop the skills needed for productive citizenship. Learn and Serve America higher education programs address community needs in four key areas: education, public safety, human needs, and the environment.

Grant/Award Amount: \$43 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Learn and Serve America Corporation for National Service Phone: 202–606–5000 Web site: www.nationalservice.org

#### Related Categories:

Equal Opportunity, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Fund for Improvement of Postsecondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–502–7520 Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/FIPSE/

## Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships (LAAP)

**Program Description/Activities:** LAAP is a competitive grant program intended to increase access to high-quality, technology-mediated learning opportunities. To achieve these goals, funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Education to encourage partnerships among institutions of higher education, community organizations, businesses, and other public or private organizations to offer a variety of education options for students and other individuals and for developing innovative educational methods.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$15 million for FY 2000.

LAAP

## Magnet Schools Assistance in Desegregating Districts

#### **Related Categories:**

Equal Opportunity, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–260–2476 Web site: www.ed.gov **Program Description/Activities:** These grants assist in the desegregation of public schools by supporting the development and implementation of magnet schools. Magnet schools offer a wide range of distinctive education programs including math, science, aerospace, technology, foreign language immersion, and humanities, and a wide range of instructional approaches such as basic skills, open classrooms, individualized instruction, or Montessori.

**Grant/Award Amount**: \$110 million for FY 2000. Average award is \$1.4 million. Range of awards is \$311,809 to \$2.7 million.

## National Guard ChalleNGe Program

Program Description/Activities: This program is a 22-week, quasimilitary residential program for drug-free high school dropouts ages 16 to 18 who are unemployed and not currently involved with the legal system. The residential phase is followed by a 12-month mentoring period. The core components are academic excellence (such as achieving a general equivalency diploma or a high school diploma), leadership and followership instructions, citizenship skills, community service, life-coping skills, job skills, physical fitness, and health and hygiene instructions. On successful completion of the residential phase, graduates may receive stipends to go on to college or vocational-technical learning institutions, obtain jobs, or return to high school. The program currently operates in 24 States and 1 territory.

## Related Category:

Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Partnerships and Alliances U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 703–693–8630 Web site: www.defenselink.mil/

## Related Category: Workforce Development

Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–205–5463 Web site: www.ed.gov

## **Program Development Implementation Grants**

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides discretionary grants that support the development and implementation of new comprehensive, coherent, and successful bilingual or English as a second language programs and other special alternative instructional programs for limited English proficient students. Community-based organizations and institutions of higher education must have their applications approved by local education agencies.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$20 million for FY 2000. Average award is \$150,000. Range of awards is \$94,000 to \$175,000.

### **Public Charter Schools**

## Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202-260-2671

Web site: www.uscharterschools.org

**Program Description/Activities:** This program funds the design and initial implementation of public charter schools in States that have passed legislation approving charter school experiments. In these States, most regulatory requirements have been removed, leaving a charter school free to sharpen its focus, mission, and identity. Charter schools are operated by key stakeholders such as teachers and parents. State or local educational agencies may apply for grants in partnership with teachers, parents, or others developing a public charter school. An application can cover any combination of one or more schools.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$145 million for FY 2000.

## Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education

Phone: 202-260-8228

Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/REA

## Reading Excellence Act

**Program Description/Activities:** The Reading Excellence Act's purpose is to prepare children to learn to read once they enter school with readiness skills and support in early childhood; teach every child to read by the end of the third grade; and improve the instructional practices of teachers and other instructional staff in elementary schools. Competitive grants are available to State educational agencies (SEAs) to support local reading improvement and tutorial assistance grants. SEAs receiving funding will make subgrants available on a competitive basis to high-poverty local school districts.

Eligible applicants for the local reading improvement grants include local school districts that have at least one school in Title 1 improvement status, have the highest or second-highest percentages of poverty in the State, or serve the highest or second-highest number of poor children in the State. Awards for tutorial assistance will be made based on these factors and/or to those districts located in Empowerment Zones/Enterprise Communities.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$260 million in FY 2000.

## Safe and Drug-Free Schools Communities **State Grants Program**

#### Related Category:

Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202-260-3954

Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/SDFS

**Program Description/Activities:** The Safe and Drug-Free Schools Communities State Grants Program Act supports school- and communitybased drug and violence education and prevention programs. Funds are awarded on a formula basis to Governors and State educational agencies. Local educational agencies (LEAs) apply to receive these funds from the State based on student enrollment. They have the flexibility to design programs and implement a broad range of violence prevention, conflict resolution and peer mediation, mentoring, drug prevention education, and community service and learning projects. Up to 20 percent of funds awarded to LEAs may be used for the installation of metal detectors, the employment of security guards, and the establishment of safe zones of passage between home and school. Community-based entities apply to Governors for funds to develop and implement drug and violence prevention programs. Authorized activities include information dissemination, comprehensive drug and violence prevention programs, before- and afterschool programs, and activities designed to prevent and reduce violence associated with prejudice.

## Safe and Drug-Free Schools Middle School **Coordinators Initiative**

**Program Description/Activities:** This initiative helps school districts recruit, hire, and train drug prevention and school safety coordinators for middle schools. Coordinators will be responsible for identifying promising drug prevention and school safety programs and strategies; assisting schools in adopting the most successful strategies; developing, conducting, and analyzing assessments of school drug and crime problems; working with community resources to ensure collaboration; and providing feedback to State educational agencies on programs and activities that have proven to be successful in reducing drug use and violent behavior.

Grant/Award Amount: \$50 million in FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program Office of Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202-260-3954 Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/SDFS

## School-to-Work Opportunities (STWOs)

## Related Category: Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Urban/Rural Opportunities
National School-to-Work Learning
and Information Center
U.S. Department of Education
Phone: 1–800–251–7236
Web site: www.stw.ed.gov

Program Description/Activities: This initiative invites all sectors of the community to work together to assist students in making the transition from school to careers and further education. Each local system provides relevant education, marketable skills, and valued credentials to all young people. Each State and locally created School-to-Work system must contain three core elements: school-based learning (classroom instruction based on high academic and business-defined occupational skill standards); work-based learning (career exploration, work experience, structured training, and mentoring at job sites); and connecting activities (courses integrating classroom and on-the-job instruction, the matching of students with participating employers, the training of mentors, and the building of other bridges between school and work). These initiatives depend on the identification and establishment of broad-based partnerships among employers, educators, labor and government representatives, parents, community organizations, and others.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$110 million for FY 2000, which includes \$12 million in funds for Urban/Rural Opportunities Grants.

# School-to-Work Opportunities (STWOs)—Urban/Rural Opportunities Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** These grants are competitively awarded to local partnerships in urban and rural areas of high poverty to enable them to implement local STWO initiatives.

Grant/Award Amount: \$12 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Category: Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Urban/Rural Opportunities
National School-to-Work Learning
and Information Center
U.S. Department of Education
Phone: 1–800–251–7236
Web site: www.stw.ed.gov

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–502–7762

Web site: www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/heatqp/

## Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants fund three programs: Partnership Grants for Improving Teacher Education, State Grants, and Teacher Recruitment Grants.

Partnership Grants provide funds for 5 years to strengthen teacher education through programs for prospective teachers. State Grants encourage States to improve the quality of their teaching force through activities such as strengthening teacher certification standards, implementing reforms that hold institutions of higher education accountable, establishing or strengthening alternative pathways into teaching, and recruiting new high-quality teachers for high-need areas. Grants are available for a 3-year period. Teacher Recruitment Grants support State and local efforts to recruit highly qualified teachers for high-need areas. The program supports high-quality teacher preparation and induction programs tailored to address these shortages.

## **Technology Innovation Challenge Grant**

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Technical Assistance, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Educational Research and Improvement U.S. Department of Education Phone: 202–219–1983 Web site: www.ed.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program is designed to support partnerships among educators, business and industry, and community organizations to develop innovative applications of technology and community plans for fully integrating technology into schools. The program provides competitive awards to consortia that include at least one local educational agency with a high percentage or number of children living in poverty.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$115.1 million for FY 1999. No funds available for FY 2000.

# Youthbuild, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Description/Activities: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development funds implementation grants for local Youthbuild programs that provide economically disadvantaged youth with education and employment skills through work opportunities in their communities. Participating youth receive onsite housing construction and rehabilitation work experience and offsite academic classes, job-skills training, and leadership development and supportive services. In addition to benefiting the participants, the program increases the supply of permanent affordable housing for homeless and low-income families. In determining grant recipients, two bonus points are awarded to applicants who certify that their eligible activities/projects are located in high-performing federally designated Empowerment Zones or Enterprise Communities.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Approximately \$40 million for FY 2000. The net available program funds will be divided between two categories of grants: 1) \$4.8 million for new applicants, up to \$300,000; and 2) \$35.2 million in additional grants, up to \$700,000 per project.

#### Related Categories:

Housing and Homelessness, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Economic Development U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Phone: 202–708–2290

Web site: www.hud.gov:80/progdesc/

youthb.html

## **Environment**

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Infrastructure

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Division of Reclamation Support Office of Surface Mining U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–208–2937 Web site: www.osmre.gov

## Appalachian Clean Streams Initiative (ACSI)

Program Description/Activities: This cooperative program works with more than 70 public and private entities to accelerate the cleanup of acid mine drainage from abandoned coal mines. The Office of Surface Mining (OSM) provides grants for such projects. The program funds State-identified stream restoration projects under priorities established by Section 403 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977. In FY 2000, a total of \$5.9 million was appropriated for ACSI State grants. OSM also is providing \$1,750,000 in cooperative agreement funds to nonprofit groups (such as local watershed organizations) to construct mine drainage treatment projects. Applications for watershed cooperative agreement funding ranging from \$5,000 to \$80,000 are being accepted until June 1,2000. Additional information and application materials are available through OSM's Web site.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$7.65 million for FY 2000.

# Appalachian Community Learning Project, Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

**Program Description/Activities:** ARC assists the residents and organizations of Appalachia in mobilizing and working together for sustained economic progress and improvement in their communities. This program provides leadership and civic development training, facilitation services, and community minigrants to Appalachia's distressed communities. Civic development investments are a critical element of ARC programs.

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Appalachian Regional Commission Phone: 202–884–7713 Web site: www.arc.gov

## Brownfields Cleanup and Redevelopment Initiative, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Economic Development, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Outreach and Special Projects/OSWER U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Phone: 202–260–4039 Web site: www.epa.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Brownfields Cleanup and Redevelopment Initiative identifies and addresses barriers to cleanup and redevelopment of abandoned, idle, or underused commercial or industrial properties where reuse is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination (known as brownfields). Since 1993 EPA has awarded funding for more than 300 Brownfields Assessment Demonstration Pilots at up to \$200,000 each to States, cities, towns, counties, and federally recognized Native American tribes for property assessments and the development of cleanup and reuse strategies. EPA also awards funding for Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Pilots at up to \$500,000 each to enable eligible States, cities, towns, counties, and federally recognized Native American tribes to capitalize revolving loan funds to safely clean up and reuse brownfields. EPA also began to award funding for Job Training and Development Demonstration Pilots at up to \$200,000 each in 1998. These projects bring together community groups, job-training organizations, educators, labor groups, investors, lenders, developers, and other affected parties to address the issue of providing environmental employment training for residents in and/or around communities affected by brownfields.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$20 million for FY 2000 Assessment Demonstration Pilots. \$2 million for FY 2000 Brownfields Job Training pilots. \$35 million for FY 2000 Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund pilots.

#### **Brownfields Revitalization Initiative**

Related Categories:
Economic Development, Infrastructure

Program/Agency Contact: U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–4822 Web site: www.ost.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Department of Transportation provides States and communities with the flexibility to include brownfields redevelopment as part of their transportation projects. State transportation agencies and metropolitan planning organizations can use existing transportation program funds for brownfields projects related to transportation.

Education, Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

Related Categories:

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 1-800-363-3732 Web site: www.eren.doe.gov/ energysmartschools

## **Energy Smart Schools**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Nation's schools spend more than \$6 billion a year on energy. Energy Smart Schools, a campaign of the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) Rebuild America program, brings together communities and public and private energy and education organizations to cut energy bills and energy consumption in schools, improve the learning environment, and reinvest the savings in education. The primary goal of the campaign is to reduce energy bills 25 percent by 2010 so that schools can direct more resources to children and their education. The estimated \$1.5 billion in annual savings could be used to buy 40 million new textbooks or 1.5 million new computers, or to hire 30,000 new teachers. Energy Smart Schools will work to ensure that energy efficiency and other "smart" design principles are incorporated into new school construction as 6,000 new schools are built in the Nation over the next decade. In 2000 funds available to State agencies to pursue special projects focused on Rebuild America and Energy Smart Schools through DOE's State Energy Program.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.25 million for FY 2000. Awards range from \$50,000 to \$200,000 to individual States for Rebuild America-related programs, including school projects.

## **Environmental Contaminants Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** This program conducts a wide array of activities aimed at assessing and preventing the adverse effects of environmental contaminants on fish and wildlife and their habitats, including endangered species, migratory birds, certain fish, marine mammals, and National Wildlife Refuge lands. This activity occurs through reviews of and coordination on environmental documents, legislation, regulations, permits, licenses, and actual field work conducting scientific investigations, monitoring, and cleanup activities. Aid typically is provided through requests for technical assistance or consultation from interested parties.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$10 million for FY 2000.

## **Environmental Justice Community Grants Program**, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Justice

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides financial assistance to community-based/grassroots organizations that are working on local solutions to local environmental problems. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations, churches, tribal organizations, and other nonprofit groups.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.1 million for FY 2000. Average amount is \$15.000 to \$20.000.

### Related Category: **Technical Assistance**

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Division of Environmental Contaminants Fish and Wildlife Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 703-358-2148 Web site: www.fws.gov

Related Category: Community Building

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Environmental Justice U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Phone: 202-564-2515 Web site: www.epa.gov/oeca

## Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance

## Related Category: Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Division of Fish and Wildlife
Management Assistance
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Phone: 703–358–1718
Web site: www.fws.gov

Program Description/Activities: This program provides technical information, advice, and assistance to Federal agencies, other nations, States, and Native American tribes on the conservation and management of fish and wildlife resources (including comanagement by Alaskan Natives of marine mammals for subsistence use) and the prevention of introduction and spread of nonindigenous aquatic nuisance species. Advice is provided on biological, chemical, and physical aspects of land and water management; specific recommendations and plans are developed based on existing conditions. Management expertise is also available on stocking of fishes from National Fish Hatcheries and fish and wildlife management techniques, focusing on aquatic habitat restoration.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$18 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Economic Development, Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 1–800–363–3723

Web site: www.eren.doe.gov/millionroofs/

### Million Solar Roofs

Program Description/Activities: Million Solar Roofs is a Presidential Initiative with the goal of installing 1 million solar energy systems on buildings across the United States by 2010. The program works with partners in the building industry, other Federal agencies, utilities, the solar energy industry, financial institutions, State and local governments, and nongovernmental organizations to remove barriers to solar energy use and to develop and strengthen demand for solar energy products and applications. It supports States and communities as they develop a commitment to solar energy technologies. At the local level, the initiative works with State and local partnerships that serve as the focal point for solar energy market development and barrier removal activities in their areas. These partnerships consist of local partners including builders and developers, energy service providers, utilities, solar energy distributors, installers and manufacturers, nongovernmental organizations, and local and State governments.

## National Scenic Byways Program

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development, Infrastructure, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–0150 or 1–800–429–4BYWAYS Web site: www.byways.org **Program Description/Activities:** Under this program, the Secretary of Transportation designates roads as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on the byways' qualities, corridors, and surroundings. Candidate roads already must have been designated as State scenic byways or, in the case of roads on Federal land, as Federal land management agency scenic byways. Local or Federal agency nomination requests must come to the U.S. Department of Transportation through the State (or States) where the road is located. Discretionary funds are available to implement projects on national- or State-designated scenic byways.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$24.5 million in FY 2000 and FY 2001, \$25.5 million in FY 2002, and \$26.5 million in FY 2003.

## North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants Program

#### Program/Agency Contact:

North American Wetlands Conservation Council U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 703–358–1784 Web site: www.fws.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The North American Wetlands Conservation Council recommends projects to be funded under this program to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission. Projects must provide for the long-term conservation of wetland habitats and the migratory species dependent on them. Grants must be matched at least one-to-one by non-Federal partner funds. Any individual, public, tribal, or private organization in North America is eligible to apply.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$15 million for FY 2000.

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–565–1200 Web site: www.ncrc.nps.gov/rtca

## Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA)

**Program Description/Activities:** RTCA helps citizens conserve rivers, establish trails, and provide outdoor recreational opportunities. The National Park Service (NPS), in partnership with citizens and State and local governments, is involved in the early phases of projects in establishing goals, resolving difficult issues, and reaching consensus about the future use and protection of important land and water resources, generally on non-Federal lands. (The NPS has less involvement once a project reaches the implementation stage.) Assistance is provided to develop greenways and trails, protect river access and views, convert abandoned railbeds into trails, conserve open space, redevelop and restore mistreated resources, and establish and strengthen nonprofit organizations.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$7.7 million for FY 2000.

## Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program

**Program Description/Activities:** This program allows local communities to address urban recreational needs by awarding matching grants for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreation areas and facilities and the development of improved recreation programs and services. In FY 2000, \$2 million was appropriated for this program and \$20 million has been proposed for FY 2001 under the President's Lands Legacy Initiative. An announcement for the FY 2000 grant round was published in the *Federal Register* on December 28, 1999.

Grant/Award Amount: \$2 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Recreation Programs Division National Center for Conservation and Recreation

U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–565–1200 Web site: www.ncrc.nps.gov

## Weatherization Assistance Program

#### Related Categories:

Housing and Homelessness, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 1–800–363–3732 Web site: www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/ weatherization\_assistance **Program Description/Activities:** The Weatherization Assistance Program provides energy-saving services to low-income households through grants to States, the District of Columbia, and Native American tribes. Each State provides services to clients through local community action agencies, other local nonprofit organizations, or local government organizations. Local agency representatives inspect and analyze homes using energy-audit instruments and diagnostic techniques. Based on the analysis, cost-effective energy-efficiency products are installed by local agency staff or contractors. Households that meet the State's poverty-income guidelines qualify for program services. Priority is given to households with elderly persons, children, and/or persons with disabilities.

## **Health**

## Disease Prevention Investigations and Technical Assistance

Program Description/Activities: This U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) program provides technical assistance to State and local health authorities and other health-related organizations in controlling communicable diseases, chronic diseases, and preventable health conditions. CDC provides several types technical and educational information and information on the provision of specialized services and assistance such as responses to public health emergencies. Training opportunities for State and local health professionals about public health topics are also available from the technical assistance program.

Eligible applicants include States, political subdivisions of States, local health authorities, and other nonprofit organizations with specialized health interests.

**Grant/Award Amounts:** \$181.25 million for FY 2000.

## Related Category:

Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Grants Management Branch
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 770–488–2700

Web site: www.cdc.gov

## Related Category: Environment

Program/Agency Contact:

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 404–639–0700

Web site: www.atsdr.cdc.gov

## Health Program for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

**Program Description/Activities:** The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease seeks to prevent exposure and adverse human health effects and diminished quality of life associated with exposure to hazardous substances from waste sites, unplanned releases, and other sources of pollution present in the environment.

## HIV/AIDS Outreach Program

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Center for Substance Abuse Treatment Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 301-443-8804

**Program Description/Activities:** This program funds grants to support community-based HIV/AIDS outreach programs in African-American, Hispanic/Latino(a), and other racial/ethnic minority communities that have high rates of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. It is designed to develop community-based outreach projects that provide HIV counseling and testing services, health education and risk-reduction information, and access or referrals to sexually transmitted disease and tuberculosis testing, substance abuse treatment, primary care, mental health services, and medical services for persons with HIV/AIDS.

Applicants may be public and domestic private nonprofit and for-profit entities such as units of State or local governments and community-based organizations.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$12 million for FY 2000. Awards are expected to range from \$100,000 to \$500,000 for periods of up to 3 years.

### Maternal and Child Health Block Grant

**Program Description/Activities:** The Maternal and Child Health Block Grant provides funding to States for strengthening and reshaping the healthcare system with a focus on mothers and children. The program links Federal, State, local, and private programs to prevent disease and disability and promote optimal growth and development of mothers and children.

Every 5 years, State health departments produce a needs assessment identifying their priority areas for block grant funds. The most recent needs assessments, completed in 1995, identified the following high-priority issues: low birth weight and infant mortality; access to healthcare; prenatal care; reduction of unintended pregnancy; specific critical health concerns such as lead poisoning and dental care; identification of and treatment for HIV-positive mothers and children; injury prevention; substance abuse; immunization; maternal health risks; family education and support; and high-risk adolescent behavior.

Local organizations can contact their State health departments to learn more about how these block grant funds may be available for community priorities.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$709 million available for FY 2000.

#### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Health Resources and Services Administration U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 877–477–2123

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

## Mental Health Performance Partnership Block Grant

#### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Grant Opportunities
National Mental Health Service Knowledge
Exchange Network (KEN)
Center for Mental Health Services
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 1–800–789–CMHS (voice) or 1–800–790–CMHS (electronic bulletin board service)

Web site: www.samhsa.gov

Program Description/Activities: The Mental Health Performance Partnership Block Grant program assists States in creating comprehensive, community-based care systems for adults with serious mental illnesses and children with severe emotional disturbances. Through State Planning Councils and development of client-based outcomes information, the grant enables States to better meet the unique needs of their populations. The block grants are awarded to States based on an allotment calculated for each fiscal year by a legislated formula. Awards are made in response to the State's application and to the implementation report the State submits for the previous fiscal year.

Local organizations may contact their State health departments to learn if these funds are available for community projects.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$356 million available for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Education, Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

National Immunization Program
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 404–639–8201

Web site: www.cdc.gov and www.dhhs.gov

## **National Immunization Program Grants**

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides grants to State and local health departments to support the planning, development, and implementation of childhood immunization programs focused on vaccine-preventable diseases including diphtheria, measles, mumps, paralytic polio, pertussis, rubella, and tetanus. Grantees use funds for a wide range of activities including conducting health surveillance, assessing immunization levels, developing immunization registries, conducting outreach and education, and establishing partnerships with community groups and private-sector organizations.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$280 million for FY 2000 awarded to 64 State and local health departments.

#### Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

**Program Description/Activities:** This block grant provides funding to State health departments and the Kickapoo and Sante Sioux Indian tribes according to a statute-based formula. The State health departments and tribes distribute funds for a wide variety of preventive health services. Allowable uses of the grants cover more than 60 health-related topics including nutrition, alcohol and other drug use, family planning, mental health, environmental health, maternal and infant health, diabetes, heart disease and stroke, sexually transmitted diseases, immunization and infectious diseases, and clinical preventive services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$179.3 million for FY 2000. (\$44 million is for rape prevention education.)

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Centers for Disease Control and Prevention U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 404–488–5645

Web site: www.cdc.gov or www.dhhs.gov

## Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program

### Related Categories:

Human Services and Family Support, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Rural Health Policy Health Resources and Services Administration U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 301–442–0835 Web site: www.dhhs.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This grant program helps States support rural communities and hospitals in developing more integrated healthcare systems. At a time when rural providers are facing increasing financial pressures, these grants enable communities to obtain needed technical assistance. Grants are awarded to States for developing and implementing rural health plans, helping at-risk hospitals convert to critical access hospitals (CAHs), and supporting communities and providers as they develop networks that integrate CAHs with emergency medical and other healthcare services in the area.

Grant/Award Amount: \$25 million in FY 2000.

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) Grants Office/Office of Rural Health Policy

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 301–443–0835

HRSA Grants Office: 1-877-477-2123

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

## Rural Network Development and Outreach Grant Programs

**Program Description/Activities:** This program supports the creation of vertically integrated healthcare networks in rural localities to increase the availability of quality healthcare services. These networks typically include local hospitals, physicians, long-term care providers, and public health departments. The program supports projects that demonstrate new and innovative models of healthcare delivery in rural areas. The focus is on direct delivery of essential services to rural populations that lack them and efforts to enhance utilization of existing services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$35 million in FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contacts:

HIV/AIDS Bureau
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 301–443–6745
Office of AIDS Policy
U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services Phone: 202–690–5560 Web site: www.dhhs.gov

## Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources (CARE) Act Grant Programs

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) manages several grant programs directed at States and localities for ensuring access to, and improving the quality of, healthcare and other support services for people affected by HIV disease, especially those who would otherwise be unable to receive care. These programs include the following:

- Funding to eligible metropolitan areas hardest hit by the HIV/AIDS epidemic (Title I). Eligible metropolitan areas receive formula funding determined by the seriousness of the epidemic and are eligible to compete for supplementary funding.
- Formula funding to States and territories to improve the quality, availability, and organization of healthcare and support services for people living with HIV disease (Title II). Title II also includes the AIDS Drug Assistance Program, which funds efforts to make available new and existing drug therapies available to people living with HIV in every State and territory.

- Competitive funding to public and private nonprofit entities for outpatient early intervention and primary care services (Title III). Grants are made to community health centers/migrant health centers, hospitals, city and county health departments, family planning clinics, and programs for the homeless. Funds may be used for a variety of activities including HIV testing, risk-reduction counseling, partner involvement in risk reduction, transmission prevention, and clinical care.
- Funding to public and private nonprofit entities for demonstration projects to coordinate services and provide enhanced access to research for children, youth, women, and families (Title IV).
- Support for the Special Projects of National Significance program, which includes the development and assessment of innovative service delivery models; the Dental Reimbursement Program, which provides retroactive funding for dental schools that provide services to people living with AIDS during the previous year; and AIDS Education and Training Centers, which train health professionals to provide care to people living with HIV.

Local organizations may contact their State and local health departments to learn whether they are eligible for any of these Federal funds and, if so, how they may be used to support community programs.

Grant/Award Amount: \$1.594 billion for FY 2000.

## State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)

**Program Description/Activities:** This initiative reaches uninsured children, many of whom come from working families with incomes too high to qualify for Medicaid but too low to afford private health insurance. The SCHIP statute gives States three options in developing programs: create a freestanding children's health insurance program, expand the existing Medicaid program in place in the State, or develop a combination of the two approaches. States receive federal matching funds at an "enhanced" rate for those children who are covered under Title XXI. This rate is established in proportion to the States' Medicaid matching rate. States are able to use part of their Federal funds to expand outreach and ensure that all children eligible for Medicaid and the new SCHIP program are enrolled. The program requires that States use this new funding to cover uninsured children and not as a replacement for existing health coverage. The program also includes important cost-sharing protections so that families will not be burdened with out-of-pocket expenses they cannot afford.

**Grant/Award Amount:** SCHIP was created in the bipartisan Balanced Budget Act of 1997; \$24 billion was appropriated over 5 years and \$40 billion over 10 years.

#### Related Category: Human Services and Family Support

Program/Agency Contact:
Health Care Financing Administration
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services

Phone: 410–786–0587. Each State has its own program; a nationwide toll-free number directs callers to their State enrollment centers: 1–877–KIDS NOW Web site: www.insurekidsnow.gov

# State Incentive Cooperative Agreements for Community-Based Action

#### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Human Services and Family Support, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Web site: www.samhsa.gov

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention
Division of State and Community Systems
Development
Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 301–443–0369

Program Description/Activities: This competitive grant program, also known as State Incentive Grants (SIGs), provides funds to State Governors for coordinating, leveraging, and/or redirecting, as appropriate, all Federal and State substance abuse prevention resources. Recipient States use these grant funds to develop and implement revitalized, comprehensive statewide strategies aimed at reducing youth drug use by identifying and filling gaps in prevention efforts targeted at youth, females, schools, and workplaces. States are to use 85 percent of the funds to directly fund subrecipient communities (identified by the States) to implement promising prevention efforts derived from sound scientific research findings. Eligibility for these competitive subrecipient grants is determined by the Office of the Governor of each State that receives a SIG.

Five States that received funding in FY 1997 are implementing their subrecipient programs. An additional 14 states were awarded SIG funding in FY 1998: Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, and Washington. An additional two States (Illinois and Kansas) were awarded funding in FY 1999. Organizations in those States may contact their Governor's office to learn more about their State's individual projects and the SIG program.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Approximately \$80.3 million available to support 25 awards in FY 2000. Approximate average award amount was \$2.5 million per State per year, for 3 years.

## Substance Abuse Prevention and HIV Prevention Among Youth and Women of Color

**Program Description/Activities:** This targeted capacity expansion program funds cooperative agreements that increase community capacity to provide integrated/cross-trained substance abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention services for at-risk African-American, Hispanic/Latino(a), and other racial/ethnic minority youth, and for African-American, Hispanic/Latina, and other racial/ethnic minority women and their children. (Targeted capacity expansion programs address service gaps or emerging problems.)

The program has three specific purposes: 1) increase capacity of racial/ethnic communities to meet needs related to substance abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention; 2) assist community-based services in documenting and assessing effectiveness and efficiency of implemented interventions; and 3) facilitate dissemination of results from appropriate interventions to improve provider practice.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$12 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 301–443–0365 www.samhsa.gov

## **Summer Food Service Program**

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Child Nutrition Division Food and Nutrition Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 703–305–2286 Web site: www.usda.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides free, nutritious meals to low-income children during long school vacations. Children age 18 years and under and individuals over age 18 who are mentally or physically disabled may participate. Sponsors receive reimbursement for meals served at approved sites. For more information about this program, organizations should contact their State department of education or State government.

#### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Phone: 1-800-729-6686

# Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS

**Program Description/Activities:** This program funds grants to enhance and expand substance abuse treatment and services related to HIV/AIDS in African-American, Hispanic/Latino(a), and other racial/ethnic minority communities significantly affected by the parallel epidemics of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. This program seeks to address gaps in substance abuse treatment capacity and increase the accessibility and availability of treatment for substance abuse and HIV/AIDS-related illnesses (including sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and hepatitis B and C).

Applications may be submitted by public and domestic private nonprofit and for-profit entities such as units of State or local governments and grassroots and/or community-based organizations.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$25 million for FY 2000. Awards are expected to range from \$100,000 to \$600,000.

## **Housing and Homelessness**

Continuum of Care is a comprehensive approach to helping individuals and families move from homelessness to independence and self-sufficiency. Understanding that homeless persons have varying needs, Continuum of Care provides a continuum of services that allows individuals to move from emergency shelters to transitional housing, then to permanent housing. Along the way, individuals in need of counseling and supportive services, job training, and other social services are provided with these opportunities so that the root causes of homelessness are addressed. Funding for Continuum of Care approaches is provided through three competitive programs (described in detail below): the Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy (SRO) program, Shelter Plus Care (S+C), and the Supportive Housing Program (SHP). In addition to the programs in the SuperNOFA, Continuum of Care is also supported through one formula grant program, the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program.

## Continuum of Care for Homeless Individuals—Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Program

Program/Agency Contact:
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1234
Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/sro.html

Program Description/Activities: The Section 8 program provides rental assistance on behalf of homeless individuals in connection with the moderate rehabilitation of SRO dwellings. Resources to fund the cost of rehabilitating the dwellings must come from other sources. However, the rental assistance covers operating expenses of the SRO housing—including debt service for rehabilitation financing—provided the monthly rental assistance per unit does not exceed the moderate rehabilitation fairmarket rent for an SRO unit as established by HUD.

## Continuum of Care—Shelter Plus Care (S+C)

#### Related Categories:

Health, Human Services and Family Support

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS)
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1234
Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/s+c.html

**Program Description/Activities:** S+C awards competitive grants on behalf of disabled homeless families and individuals through four component programs: tenant-based rental assistance, in which participants reside in housing of their choice; sponsor-based rental assistance, which provides rental assistance through contracts with sponsor organizations; project-based rental assistance, which provides rental assistance through contracts between the grant recipient and owners of existing structures; and SRO for homeless individuals, which provides rental assistance in connection with the moderate rehabilitation of SRO housing units.

## Continuum of Care—Supportive Housing Program (SHP)

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

State Assistance Division
Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS)
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–2140

Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/shp.html

**Program Description/Activities:** SHP promotes development of supportive housing and supportive services to assist homeless persons in the transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency. Funds may be used to provide transitional housing, permanent housing for persons with disabilities, innovative supportive housing, supportive services, and safe havens. Supportive services include childcare, employment assistance, case management, help in getting permanent housing, nutritional counseling, and help in obtaining other assistance. Providers may use SHP to fund some of the day-to-day operating expenses of homeless facilities and for administrative expenses.

Related Category: Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Multifamily Housing Processing Division Rural Housing Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–1624 Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides insured loans or project grants to provide decent, safe, and sanitary low-rent housing and related facilities for domestic farm laborers. Loans are available to farmers, family farm partnerships, family farm corporations, or associations of farms. Loans and grants are available to States and U.S. territories, political subdivisions of States, public or private nonprofit organizations or any limited partnership in which the general partner is a nonprofit entity, federally recognized Indian tribes, and nonprofit corporations of farmworkers. Grants are awarded only when there is a pressing need and when it is doubtful that such facilities could be provided without grant assistance.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$25 million in loans, \$13.5 million in grants.

## **HOME Investment Partnerships**

Farm Labor Housing Loans and Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** HOME provides grants to States and units of local government to implement local housing strategies designed to increase homeownership and affordable housing opportunities for low-income persons. Eligible uses of funds include tenant-based assistance, housing rehabilitation, and new construction assistance to first-time homebuyers.

Grant/Award Amount: \$2.4 billion for FY 2000.

#### Related Category:

**Human Services and Family Support** 

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Program Policy Division
Office of Affordable Housing Programs
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–2470
Web site: www.hud.gov:80/nofa/supernofa/

sprprt2b.html

### Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)

### Related Categories:

Health, Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of HIV/AIDS Housing
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1934

Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/hopwahom.html

Program Description/Activities: This program provides funding to State and local governments for housing assistance and supportive services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Eligible activities include acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units; costs for operation and maintenance of facilities and community residences; and rental assistance and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. HOPWA funds may also be used for services such as healthcare and mental health services; drug and alcohol abuse treatment and counseling; intensive care, when required; nutritional services; case management assistance with daily living; housing information; and placement services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$207.2 million by formula allocation to 67 cities and 34 States. \$23 million for FY 2000 Competitive Awards, with up to \$1.2 million per grantee, plus up to 3 percent of grantee administrative costs and 7 percent for project sponsors.

Funds are allocated by formula (90 percent) and by national competition (10 percent). In 2000 technical assistance was authorized for up to 0.75 percent of the appropriation.

# Multifamily Housing and Health Care Facilities Mortgage Insurance Programs

**Program Description/Activities:** The Federal Housing Administration (FHA), part of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), provides mortgage insurance programs that make capital available for, and facilitate the development of, multifamily rental housing and healthcare facilities. FHA insures loans that are originated by private, HUD-approved lenders. Project sponsors are responsible for finding a HUD-approved lender to write the loan and for submitting an application for commitment to the local HUD office.

Sections 221(d)(3) and (4) of the National Housing Act insure mortgages for the development of multifamily rental properties through new construction or substantial rehabilitation. Section 221(d)(3) is used by nonprofit and cooperative sponsors; Section 221(d)(4) is used by profit-motivated sponsors. Section 223(f) facilitates the refinancing or purchase of rental housing that does not require substantial rehabilitation. Section 232 and Section 232/223(f) insure mortgages for the development and refinancing of nursing homes, intermediate care facilities, board-and-care homes, and assisted living facilities. Section 232 is used for new construction or substantial rehabilitation. Section 232/223(f) is used for purchasing or refinancing without substantial rehabilitation.

### **Related Categories:**

Access to Capital, Health

### Program/Agency Contact:

Multifamily Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Phone: 202–708–3000 Web site: www.hud.gov/fha/mfh/ fhamfbus.html

# Title V (Surplus Federal Property for Use To Assist the Homeless)

### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Phone: 202–708–1226

Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/t5.html

**Program Description/Activities:** Suitable Federal properties that are categorized as unutilized, underutilized, or surplus are made available to States, units of local government, and nonprofit organizations for use to assist the homeless. Properties can be used to provide shelter, services, or storage, or for other uses of benefit to the homeless. The program provides no funding and the properties are made available on an "as is" basis.

### **Human Services and Family Support**

### **Battered Women Shelters**

### Related Categories:

Health, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 202–401–5529 Web site: www.dhhs.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The grants fund shelters and support services for victims of domestic violence and their dependents. These services include counseling, legal advocacy, emergency transportation, childcare, and referrals for medical assistance and other services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$101 million for FY 2000. Grants are distributed to each State based on population; no State will receive less than \$400,000.

### Related Category:

Health

### Program/Agency Contact:

Child Nutrition Division Food and Consumer Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 703–305–2286 Web site: www.fns.usda.gov

### Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides grants to States to initiate and maintain nonprofit food service programs for children 12 years of age and younger enrolled in daycare centers and family daycare homes and for elderly or impaired adults enrolled in nonresidential daycare facilities. Local organizations receive reimbursement for healthy meals and snacks served in these facilities.

In addition, the CACFP provides cash reimbursement to help childcare centers and schools operating afterschool care programs serve snacks to children. In order to participate, a public or private nonprofit organization must operate an afterschool care program that provides children with regularly scheduled activities in an organized, structured, and supervised environment that includes educational or enrichment activities. Local organizations should contact their State government to learn more about how they may access funds from this program.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Entitlement program; no dollar cap.

### Community-Based Family Resources and Support Grants

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Health, Welfare to Work

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office on Child Abuse and Neglect Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Phone: 202–205–0749

1–800–394–3366 (National Child Abuse and Neglect Clearinghouse) Web site: www.dhhs.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program awards funds to States to develop, operate, expand, enhance, and foster the development of a continuum of child abuse prevention activities and family resources services through State and community-based public and private partnerships. Funds have typically been used to start up, maintain, and expand public information activities, and to provide parent information programs and prevention services that focus on positive parenting skills and foster an understanding of child development and child behavior.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$32.8 million proposed for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Health

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services
Administration for Children and Families
U.S. Department of Health and
Human Services
Phone: 202–401–9333

Phone: 202–401–9333 Web site: www.acf.dhhs.gov

### **Community Food and Nutrition**

**Program Description/Activities:** This discretionary grant program awards grants to States, public agencies, and public and private nonprofit organizations to help them coordinate existing food-assistance resources, identify sponsors of child nutrition programs, and develop innovative approaches to meeting the nutrition needs of low-income people.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$6.3 million for FY 2000; maximum amount per participant is \$50,000.

### Related Category:

Health

### Program/Agency Contact:

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service Administrator U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–401–1898 Web site: www.usda.gov

### **Community Food Projects Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** This program offers grant support for the development of community food projects designed to meet the needs of low-income people; to increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their needs; and to promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues. Grants are awarded to private, nonprofit applicants who have experience in the areas of community food work or job training and business development in low-income communities; demonstrate competency to implement a project; provide fiscal accountability and oversight; collect data; prepare reports and other appropriate documentation; and demonstrate a willingness to share information with researchers, practitioners, and other interested parties.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$2.5 million. Individual projects can receive up to \$250,000 for up to 3 years.

### Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

### Related Categories:

Education, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Welfare to Work

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** Phone: 202-401-2333

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides States and Native American tribes with funds to support services and activities designed to reduce poverty. The funds are then distributed through a network of public and private agencies by the State. Approximately 1,400 community-based organizations and Native American tribes and tribal organizations administer CSBG services and activities. Grantees use funds to provide services and activities focused on employment, education, better use of available income, housing, childcare, nutrition, emergency services, and healthcare, and to support the administrative costs of local programs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$527 million for FY 2000.

### The Eldercare Locator

**Program Description/Activities:** The Administration on Aging supports a nationwide toll-free information and assistance directory called The Eldercare Locator, which locates the appropriate area agency on aging to help an individual needing assistance. Older persons and caregivers can contact The Eldercare Locator by calling toll-free Monday through Friday. Callers to The Eldercare Locator can speak to a friendly, caring person who will help them reach the correct service agency. When contacting The Eldercare Locator, callers need to have the address, ZIP Code, and county of residence of the person who needs assistance.

### Related Category:

Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

The Eldercare Locator Administration on Aging U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** 

Phone: 1-800-677-1116 (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.,

eastern time) Web site: www.aoa.gov

### Related Category:

Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Public Buildings Service U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202-264-8321 Web site: www.gsa.gov/pbs/centers/ child/default.htm

### Federal Child Care Programs in Your Community

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) operates more than 110 childcare centers in 32 States and the District of Columbia. GSA's ChildCare Operations Center of Expertise supports its national commitment to providing quality childcare as an essential component of a quality work environment. The center ensures that working families using childcare in GSA-managed space receive quality care for their children. The centers are open to both Federal and non-Federal employees and provide services ranging from drop-in emergency care to kindergarten and afterschool programs.

### Head Start/Early Head Start

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Health, Welfare to Work

### Program/Agency Contact:

Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** Phone: 202-205-8572

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** This program awards grants to local public and private nonprofit and for-profit agencies for comprehensive child development services for children and families. Intended primarily for low-income families, the program fosters the development of children and enables them to deal more effectively with both their present environment and later responsibilities in school and community life.

Head Start children receive comprehensive health services, including immunizations, physical and dental exams and treatment, and nutritional services. The Head Start program also emphasizes the significant involvement of parents in their children's development. Parents make progress toward their educational, literacy, and employment goals by training for jobs and working at Head Start sites.

The Early Head Start component addresses the mounting evidence that the years from birth to age 3 greatly influence children's growth and development. Early Head Start focuses on four cornerstones essential to high-quality programs: child development, family development, community building, and staff development.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$3.8 billion for FY 2000. \$1.4 billion advance funding for FY 2001.

### Service Coordinator Program

**Program Description/Activities:** This program makes funds available to employ onsite social service coordinators and assistants in multifamily assisted housing developments. These persons will coordinate services provided to elderly persons or persons with disabilities to make possible continued independent living.

Grant/Award Amount: \$25 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Housing and Homelessness

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Multifamily Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and **Urban Development** Phone: 202-708-3944, ext. 2487 Web site: www.hud.gov

### Related Categories:

Health, Welfare to Work

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** Phone: 202-401-2333

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

### Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)

**Program Description:** Title XX, or SSBG, is administered to States by the Administration for Children and Families through a statute-based formula. Each State designs and administers its SSBG program to reduce or eliminate dependency; achieve or maintain self-sufficiency for families; help prevent neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children and adults; prevent or reduce inappropriate institutional care; and secure admission or referral to institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate.

SSBG funding represents the Federal Government's partnership with States and local communities. The revenue assures the availability of social services to vulnerable communities, families, and children. Grant funds from the Title XX program are viewed as holding the Nation's human services network together.

The funds also increase State and local flexibility in managing Federal funds by enabling States to target populations that otherwise might not receive services needed to remain self-sufficient and economically independent. Activities supported with SSBG funds vary from State to State.

Grant/Award Amount: \$1.7 billion for FY 2000.

### Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

**Program Description/Activities:** The WIC program uses formula grants to provide, at no cost, supplemental nutritious foods, nutrition education, and healthcare referrals to low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women; infants; and children up to 5 years old who are determined to be at nutritional risk. Local agencies are eligible to apply to deliver WIC program services if they serve a population of low-income women, infants, and children at nutritional risk and are a public or private nonprofit health or human services agency.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$4.032 billion for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Health

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Director, Supplemental Food **Programs Division** Food and Nutrition Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 703-305-2746 Web site: www.usda.gov/fcs.htm

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Health, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

### Program/Agency Contact:

Division of State and Community Assistance Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** 

Phone: 301-443-3820 Web site: www.dhhs.gov

### Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant

**Program Description/Activities:** The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant program provides funds to States for substance abuse prevention activities and treatment services. The authorizing statute includes several expenditure and performance requirements to ensure that the single State authority for substance abuse prevention activities and treatment services expends the block grant funds through a network of public and private nonprofit entities. The statutory set-asides include 35 percent for prevention activities and treatment services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.6 billion for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Health, Housing and Homelessness, Public Safety and Crime Prevention, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Family and Youth Services Bureau U.S. Department of Health and **Human Services** Phone: 202-205-8102

Web site: www.dhhs.gov

### Transitional Living Program for Homeless Youth

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides grants to local and private organizations to address the shelter and service needs of homeless youth ages 12 to 21. Its goals are to have youth safe in appropriate alternative settings and to help them develop into independent, contributing members of society. A homeless youth accepted into the program is eligible to receive shelter and services continuously for up to 540 days (18 months). The services include counseling; life-skills training such as money management and housekeeping; interpersonal skill building such as decisionmaking and priority setting; educational advancement; job preparation and attainment; and mental and physical healthcare.

Grant/Award Amount: \$20.5 million for FY 2000.

### **Infrastructure**

### Related Categories:

Environment, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–5007 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov

### Related Category:

Economic Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Community Facilities Division Rural Housing Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–1490 Web site: www.usda.gov

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Community Facilities Division Rural Housing Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Phone: 202–720–1490 Web site: www.usda.gov

### Bicycle Transportation and Pedestrian Walkways

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides assistance to State transportation agencies and metropolitan organizations to increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists. Eligible projects may be on or off roads, but all must serve a transportation function. Bicycle Transportation and Pedestrian Walkways funding is available through various U.S. Department of Transportation programs.

### **Community Facilities Direct Loan Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Rural Housing Service makes direct loans to nonprofit and public entities for the construction of essential facilities. Most loans are made at below-market interest rates and are aimed at serving financially challenged rural areas. Allowed expenses include purchase of land needed for construction of facilities, necessary professional fees, and equipment and operating costs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Approximately \$167.5 million for FY 2000.

### **Community Facilities Grant Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Community Facilities Grant Program typically is used to fund projects under special initiatives such as Native American community development efforts, childcare centers linked with the Federal Government's Welfare to Work initiative, federally designated Enterprise and Champion Communities, and the Northwest Economic Adjustment Initiative area.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$7 million for FY 2000.

### **Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** Through this program, the Rural Housing Service guarantees up to 90 percent of the amount of a loan from a private lender to a public or nonprofit entity to be used for the construction of an essential community facility. Many community borrowers in the Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program are able to leverage loan guarantees with funds from private, State, and local sources.

Grant/Award Amount: \$210 million for FY 2000.

### Commuter Choice Initiative

### Related Category: Environment

### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Transit Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–1698 Web site: www.fta.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The Commuter Choice Initiative promotes a greater range of employer-provided commuting options designed to reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, and allow employers to tailor transportation benefits to their individual employees' needs. Both public- and private-sector employers may provide transit passes or vouchers, vanpool services, or parking benefits to employees using either employer funds or employee pretax salary. Transit and vanpool benefits are limited to a combined maximum monthly tax-free amount of \$65. Parking is limited to \$175 per month, also tax-free.

### **DOT Livability Initiative**

### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Economic Development, Environment

### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–4822 Web site: www.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The Livability Initiative focuses on helping communities use comprehensive, community-based planning to create customer-friendly, community-oriented, well-designed transportation systems. Transportation projects are funded by various U.S. Department of Transportation programs together with various public and private partnerships and other Federal programs, and authorized by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

### Job Access and Reverse Commute Program

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Welfare to Work, Workforce Development

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Transit Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–1666 Web site: www.fta.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This program provides funding to help States and local organizations develop new or expanded transportation services that connect welfare recipients and other low-income persons with jobs. States, local governments, metropolitan planning organizations, public transit agencies, tribal organizations, and nonprofit organizations are eligible for funds for the development of transportation services such as shuttles, vanpools, new bus routes, and "guaranteed ride home" programs for welfare recipients and other low-income persons. Reverse Commute funds provide for transportation to and from suburban employment centers.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$150 million for Job Access grants, including up to \$10 million for Reverse Commute projects. A 50-percent match is required.

### Livable Communities

### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Economic Development, Environment, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Transit Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–5653 Web site: www.fta.dot.gov Program Description/Activities: This program helps communities get involved in planning and designing transit systems that are customer friendly, community oriented, and well designed. Awards are made to transit operators, metropolitan planning organizations, city and county governments, planning agencies, and other public bodies with authority to plan or construct transit. Eligible projects include planning pedestrian walkways and transit-oriented development; assessing environmental, social, economic, land use, and urban design impacts of projects; transit project feasibility studies; providing technical assistance; participation by community organizations and the business community; and evaluating best practices and developing innovative urban design, land use, and zoning practices. To find out more about the program, contact Federal Transit Administration regional offices.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Transit funds as well as Surface Transportation Program, Transportation and Community and System Preservation Pilot Program, and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds may be used for qualifying projects.

### **Metropolitan Planning Process**

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Environment, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–4066 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The Metropolitan Planning Process establishes a cooperative, continuous, and comprehensive framework for making transportation investment decisions in metropolitan areas. Planning supports the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, increases the safety and security of the transportation system, increases accessibility and mobility options, enhances integration and connectivity of the transportation system, promotes efficient system management and operation, and emphasizes the preservation of the existing transportation system.

### Surface Transportation Program (STP)

### Related Categories: Economic Development, Environment

Program/Agency Contact: Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation

Phone: 202–366–4066 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov **Program Description/Activities:** STP provides flexible funding to States and localities for projects on any Federal-aid highway including the National Highway System, bridge projects on any public road, transit capital projects, and intracity and intercity bus terminals and facilities. Eligible projects include environmental restoration and pollution abatement projects, natural habitat mitigation, intercity passenger bus services, modification of existing sidewalks, and capital improvements. Proposed projects should be submitted to State transportation departments for consideration.

### Transit Capital Grants

in FY 2000.

### Related Categories: Economic Development, Environment

Program/Agency Contact: Federal Transit Administration U.S. Department of Transportation

Phone: 202–366–2053 Web site: www.fta.dot.gov

# Transportation Analysis and Simulation System (TRANSIMS) in Washington, D.C.

**Program Description/Activities:** This program funds new rail or bus

systems, improvements to or maintenance of existing rail and other fixed

guideway systems, and bus system upgrading. Public agencies receiving

funds may buy buses, construct bus facilities, modernize rail systems and

stations, and make various safety-related improvements. Contact Federal

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$540 million for buses, \$980 million for fixed guideway modernization projects, and \$969 million for New Start projects

Transit Administration regional offices for more information.

**Program Description/Activities:** TRANSIMS is an advanced software package that will allow local planning agencies to simulate the movement of individuals and vehicles in an entire metropolitan region. The Los Alamos National Laboratory is researching and developing the software. A limited number of State and local planning agencies responsible for regional travel forecasting will receive implementation funds to convert from present travel forecasting methods to TRANSIMS. Information on how to apply for implementation funds may be obtained from Bob Radics of the Federal Highway Administration Southern Support Center at 404–562–3692.

Grant/Award Amount: \$22 million for FY 1999 to FY 2003.

### Related Category: Technical Assistance

Program/Agency Contact: Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–5843 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov

### Related Categories: Economic Development, Environment

Program/Agency Contact: Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–0106 Web site: www.fhwa.dot.gov

### Transportation and Community and System Preservation Pilot

Program Description/Activities: This pilot program will help States and communities develop strategies that improve the efficiency of their transportation systems, minimize environmental impacts of transportation, and reduce the need for costly public infrastructure investments such as building major new urban highways or rail systems. States, metropolitan planning organizations, city and county governments, planning agencies, and other public bodies are eligible to apply for funding. Nonprofit, community, and civic organizations cannot apply directly for funds but can participate as partners. Funds may be used for planning or building any project currently eligible for funding under Federal highway or transit programs. They also may be used for activities that study relationships among transportation, communities, and system preservation.

Grant/Award Amount: \$35 million for FY 2000.

### Transportation Enhancements (TEs)

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Environment, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Human Environment Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–9629 Web site: www.enhancement.org **Program Description/Activities:** This program focuses on enhancing the travel experience and fostering the quality of life in American communities. The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) required States to reserve 10 percent of their surface transportation funding for designated transportation enhancement activities that help communities attain social, cultural, aesthetic, economic, and environmental goals.

This program provides funding for sidewalks and bike facilities and the conversion of abandoned railroad rights-of-way to trails. Communities may also revitalize local and regional economies by restoring historic buildings; renovating streetscapes; providing transportation museums and visitor centers; or acquiring, restoring, and preserving scenic areas.

TE projects must be 1 of 12 activities defined in the law and must relate to surface transportation. This program strongly encourages partnerships with State and local officials and citizen interest groups to improve service delivery. Contact your State TE coordinator to discuss specific eligibility practices in your State.

### **Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program provides funding for transit capital projects (such as buses) and assistance for operating expenses to urbanized areas with populations of 50,000 or more. Funds are apportioned by a formula based on population, population density, and other factors associated with transit service and ridership. Applications for funding should be made to Federal Transit Administration regional offices.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$2.7 billion for FY 2000.

### Related Category: Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

Federal Transit Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–2053 Web site: www.fta.dot.gov

### **Public Safety and Crime Prevention**

### Boys and Girls (B&G) Clubs

### **Related Categories:**

Community Building, Education, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

Boys and Girls Clubs of America Phone: 404–487–5748 Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–3215

Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov and

www.bgca.org

**Program Description/Activities:** B&G Clubs help youth develop the qualities needed to become responsible citizens and leaders through a nationwide affiliation of local clubs and B&G Clubs of America. Their mission is to create positive partnerships between concerned adults and disadvantaged young people; between B&G Clubs and their supporters; and between the national organization and local clubs. The Bureau of Justice Assistance provides funding to the B&G Clubs of America to establish new clubs or enhance existing clubs in public housing and other at-risk communities.

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

Boys and Girls Clubs of America Phone: 404–487–5748 Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–6500 Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA

### Bureau of Justice Assistance Byrne Discretionary Grant Program

**Program Description/Activities:** Discretionary grant funds are available for demonstration programs, training, technical assistance, national programs to reduce and prevent crime and violence, and criminal justice system improvements at State and local levels.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$52 million for FY 2000. (Congress has set aside more than \$45 million in FY 2000 for a number of programs to reduce and prevent crime.)

# Bureau of Justice Assistance Community Justice Assistance Center

**Program Description/Activities:** The Community Justice Assistance Center project at the Center for Court Innovation seeks to increase awareness by criminal justice professionals about community courts and to promote the importance of court/community collaborations.

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–6500 Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov Center for Court Innovation Phone: 212–373–8098 Web site: www.communitycourts.org

## Bureau of Justice Assistance Local Law Enforcement Block Grants

### Related Categories:

Education, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Local and State Assistance Division
Bureau of Justice Assistance
U.S. Department of Justice
Phone: 202–616–6500 or 1–800–446–0912
Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov or
www.ir.com/grants

Center for Court Innovation Phone: 212–373–8098

Web site: www.communitycourts.org

Program Description/Activities: The Bureau of Justice Assistance administers block grants to units of local government to reduce crime and enhance public safety through hiring, training, procuring equipment, and acquiring technology and other material directly related to basic law enforcement functions; to enhance security measures in and around schools and in and around any other facility or location at risk for incidents of crime; to establish a multijurisdictional task force composed of law enforcement officials to prevent and control crime; and to establish crime prevention programs involving cooperation between community residents and law enforcement personnel to control, detect, or investigate crime or the prosecution of criminals.

Grant/Award Amount: \$497.9 million for FY 2000.

# Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office: Universal Hiring Program

**Program Description/Activities:** COPS implements programs to advance community policing and assist local law enforcement.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$913 million for FY 2000.

Related Category: Community Building

### Program/Agency Contact:

Drug Courts Program Office U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–5001

Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/DCPO

### Related Categories:

Education, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

National Program Division Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–6500 Web site: www.dare-america.com/

### Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.)

**Program Description/Activities:** D.A.R.E. is a drug- and violence-prevention education program designed to equip elementary, middle, and high school students with the appropriate life skills to aid them in decisionmaking. The Bureau of Justice Assistance supports five D.A.R.E. Regional Training Centers that have trained or assisted in training more than 20,000 law enforcement officers. Southwest 602–223–2544;West 213–485–4856; Midwest 573–526–3273; East 804–674–2238; and Southeast 919–662–4500.

### Drug Courts Program Office, Office of Justice Programs (OJP)

Related Category: Community Building

Program/Agency Contact:

Drug Courts Program Office U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–5001

Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/DCPO

Program Description/Activities: OJP administers the discretionary Drug Courts grant program to plan, establish, or enhance State and local drug courts that provide specialized treatment and rehabilitation for certain nonviolent substance-abusing offenders. Programs offer continuing judicial supervision of nonviolent offenders and integrated administration of other sanctions and services, including mandatory periodic testing for the use of controlled and other addictive substances during any period of supervised release or probation; substance abuse treatment; diversion to a program before a conviction, probation, or other supervised release involving the possibility of prosecution, confinement, or incarceration based on noncompliance with program requirements or failure to show satisfactory progress; offender management specific to the Drug Courts program; and aftercare services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$40 million for FY 2000. Up to \$30,000 for each planning grant, \$400,000 for implementation grants, and \$300,000 for enhancement grants.

### **Drug Free Communities Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** The Drug Free Communities Program is designed to strengthen community antidrug coalitions and reduce substance abuse among youth. Grants are awarded to community coalitions that have worked together on substance abuse prevention initiatives for at least 6 months, have a principal mission of reducing substance abuse, and involve volunteer community leaders. Funds for community antidrug coalitions are administered by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$28.8 million in new and continuation grants the Drug Free Communities Program in FY 2000.

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education

Program Agency/Contact:

Office of National Drug Control Policy Executive Office of the President Phone: 1–800–666–3332

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse
Phone: 1–800–638–8736
(8:30 a.m.–7 p.m., eastern time)
Web site: www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov
or www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development

Program/Agency Contact:

Executive Office for Weed and Seed U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–1152
Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.qov/eows/

### **Executive Office for Weed and Seed (EOWS)**

**Program Description/Activities:** EOWS is a comprehensive, multiagency approach to combating violent crime, drug use, and gang activity and coordinating efforts to revitalize distressed neighborhoods and to leverage significant private and local, State, and Federal resources. The U.S. Department of Justice officially recognizes sites that implement a Weed and Seed strategy with their own resources. EOWS provides technical assistance to Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities to implement Weed and Seed strategies. Safe Havens—established under EOWS—provides an integrated array of social services and activities for youth and their families in safe settings.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$33.5 million appropriated for FY 2000. Asset forfeiture fund surplus is \$6.5 million.

### National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC)

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

Bureau of Justice Assistance U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–6500

National Crime Prevention Council

Phone: 202–466–6272 Web site: www.ncpc.org **Program Description/Activities:** NCPC seeks to prevent crime and build safer, more caring communities. NCPC manages the McGruff "take a bite out of crime" public service advertising campaign and aspects of the National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign. NCPC also provides comprehensive crime prevention technical assistance and training to communities, develops and implements innovative youth development programs, runs drug abuse and crime prevention demonstration programs, and disseminates information on crime prevention practices. This nonprofit organization receives funding through the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Human Services and Family Support, Technical Assistance

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office for Victims of Crime U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–307–5983

OVC Clearinghouse

Phone: 1–800–627–6872 Web site: www.usdoj.gov

### Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

**Program Description/Activities:** OVC conducts victim services training and technical assistance. Two technical assistance programs may be requested. The first, OVC's Training and Technical Assistance Center (TTAC), identifies experts from professional disciplines and contracts with them to provide effective, high-quality training and short-term technical assistance to communities. TTAC is brought onsite to offer expertise on a wide range of victim-related topics, including victimization trauma, crisis response team training, advocacy for victims in the criminal justice system, crime victim compensation programs, domestic violence, sexual assault, and underserved victim populations.

The second program offers training, technical assistance, and demonstration grants to expand the capacity of the criminal justice system and related organizations to assist crime victims. Discretionary initiatives include grants to identify promising practices, produce training and technical assistance materials for selected professionals, launch regional topics or train-the-trainer seminars and training events, and create demonstration projects that act as laboratories for communities wishing to initiate similar programs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$13.9 million for FY 2000 for discretionary grant program. \$370 million for State victim assistance compensation. \$1.5 million for Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities.

# Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Discretionary Grant Program

**Program Description/Activities:** The Discretionary Grant Program covers activities and priorities as outlined and authorized by Parts C and D of Title II of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program Act. OJJDP focuses its assistance on the development and implementation of programs that have the greatest potential for reducing juvenile delinquency and improving the juvenile justice system by establishing partnerships with State and local governments, Native American and Native Alaskan jurisdictions, and public and private agencies and organizations.

#### Related Categories:

Community Building, Education, Technical Assistance, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse Phone: 1–800–638–8736

(8:30 a.m.– 7 p.m., eastern time) Web site: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org Examples of programs include SafeFutures—Partnerships to Reduce Youth Violence and Delinquency; Community Assessment Centers; Comprehensive Community-Wide Approach to Gang Prevention, Intervention, and Suppression Program; National Youth Gang Center; Risk Reduction via Promotion of Youth Development; TeenSupreme Career Preparation Initiative; and Safe Kids/Safe Streets: Community Approaches to Reducing Abuse and Neglect and Preventing Delinquency.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Part C: \$42.75 million for FY 2000. Part D: \$12 million for FY 2000.

# Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Discretionary Grant Program—Drug Prevention

**Program Description/Activities:** Discretionary grant funds are used to develop, demonstrate, and test programs to increase the awareness of children and youth about the dangers of drug use.

Grant/Award Amount: \$11 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category: Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse Phone: 1–800–638–8736 (8:30 a.m.– 7 p.m., eastern time) Web site: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org

### Related Category:

### Program/Agency Contact:

Education

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse Phone: 1–800–638–8736 (8:30 a.m.– 7 p.m., eastern time) Web site: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org

# Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Discretionary Grant Program—Innovative Approaches to Law-Related Education (LRE)

**Program Description/Activities:** This program will support and advance the practice of LRE for the prevention of delinquency inside and outside the classroom. Funds support projects that promote innovative methods, techniques, approaches, or delivery of LRE.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Congress appropriated \$1.9 million for five grantees under this program in FY 2000.

# Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Formula Grant Program

Program Description/Activities: This program supports grants through State advisory groups to units of local government for a broad range of delinquency prevention programs and activities to benefit youth who have had contact with the juvenile justice system. Services to children, youth, and families include recreation, tutoring and remedial education, work skills, health and mental health programs, alcohol and substance abuse prevention, leadership development, and accountability. Eligible units must be in compliance with OJJDP's Formula Grants Program, submit a 3-year plan both to the State and to the administrator, appoint a local policy board empowered to administer the local program, plan for coordination of services, and provide a 50-percent cash or in-kind match.

Grant/Award Amount: \$89 million for FY 2000.

### Related Categories:

Education, Health, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse Phone: 1–800–638–8736 (8:30 a.m.–7 p.m., eastern time) Web site: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org

# Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Juvenile Mentoring Program (JUMP)

Related Category: Education

Program/Agency Contact:

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse Phone: 1–800–638–8736 (8:30 a.m.–7 p.m., eastern time) Web site: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org **Program Description/Activities:** Congress has designated OJJDP for continuation and expansion of the JUMP. OJJDP makes discretionary grant awards to implement programs to reduce delinquency and gang participation, improve academic performance, and reduce dropout rates through the use of mentors who are paired with youth in high-crime areas.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$13.5 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Housing and Homelessness

Program/Agency Contact:

Community Safety and Conservation
Office of Public and Indian Housing
U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Phone: 202–708–1197
Web site: www.hud.gov/pih/programs/ph/de/
programs/phdep.html

### Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP)

Program Description/Activities: In 1999, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development began distributing all available PHDEP funding in a noncompetitive manner through the use of formulas to public housing authorities and tribally designated housing entities to fight drug-related and violent crime in and around public housing. Housing agencies must develop yearly PHDEP plans detailing their drug elimination activities. Eligible activities include employment of security personnel, housing authority police, and investigators; implementation of physical improvements to enhance security; voluntary tenant patrols; and prevention, intervention, and treatment programs to reduce the use of drugs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$315 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

Program/Agency Contact:

Violence Against Women Office U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–307–6026 Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/vawo

# Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Enforcement Assistance

**Program Description/Activities:** This grant program helps establish, expand, and implement cooperative efforts and projects among law enforcement officers, prosecutors, victim advocacy groups, and other related parties to investigate and prosecute incidents of domestic violence and child abuse. Grants help rural communities provide treatment and counseling to victims of domestic violence and child abuse, and develop education and prevention strategies directed toward such issues.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Continuation funding only for FY 2000.

### Safe Communities

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### Related Category:

Community Building, Education, Health, Infrastructure

### Program/Agency Contact:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–2121 Web site: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ safecommunities

Grant/Award Amount: \$206.8 million for FY 2000.

### Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Departments of Education, Health and Human Services, and Justice are collaborating on the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative, which will improve the safety of schools. Grants help provide enhanced comprehensive educational, mental health, social service, law enforcement, and—as appropriate juvenile justice system services that promote healthy childhood development and prevent violence and alcohol and other drug abuse affecting students, schools, and communities. These services and activities target development of social skills and the emotional resilience necessary to avoid drug use and violent behaviors, and the establishment of school environments that are safe, disciplined, and drug free. Programs and services eligible for initiative funding must fall into one of six categories: school safety, alcohol and other drug and violence prevention and early intervention programs, school and community mental health preventive and treatment intervention services, early childhood psychosocial and emotional development programs, educational reform, and safe school policies. Awards are made to local educational agencies for up to 3 years.

**Program Description/Activities:** The National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration provides technical support and information to States and

communities that want to develop transportation safety and injury prevention programs for their communities. Through this initiative communi-

ties develop strategic partnerships, examine local injury and cost data,

munities should work with their respective State Governor's highway

involve ordinary citizens, and engage health/medical professionals. Com-

**Grant/Award Amount:** In FY 2000, Congress appropriated continuation grants for 54 communities.

### Violence Against Women Office, STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** This formula grant program assists States in developing and strengthening law enforcement and prosecutorial strategies to combat violent crimes against women, and develops and strengthens victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women. The Crime Act specifies that 4 percent of the amount appropriated each year for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants be available for grants to Native American tribal governments.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$206 million for FY 2000, of which \$8.27 million is available for STOP Violence Against Indian Women.

### Related Category:

Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse
U.S. Department of Justice
Phone: 1–800–638–8736
(8:30 a.m.–7 p.m., eastern time)
Web sites: www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/SDFS
or www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org

Related Category: Human Services and Family Support

Program/Agency Contact:

Violence Against Women Office U.S. Department of Justice Phone: 202–616–8894 Web site: www.ojp.usdoj.gov

### **Technical Assistance**

### Related Categories:

Business Assistance, Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Minority Enterprise Development U.S. Small Business Administration Phone: 202–205–6423 Web site: www.sba.gov

### Related Category: Community Building

### Program/Agency Contact:

Heritage Preservation Services National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–343–6005 Web site: www2.cr.nps.gov/clg/ clg\_t.htm

### **Related Categories:**

Environment, Infrastructure, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office of Transportation Technologies U.S. Department of Energy Phone: 202–586–1573 Web site: www.ccities.doe.gov

### 7(j) Management and Technical Assistance Program

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides management and technical assistance to eligible individuals and small business clients. U.S. Small Business Administration 8(a)-certified firms, socially and economically disadvantaged persons, businesses operating in areas of low income or high unemployment, and firms owned by low-income individuals are eligible for 7(j) assistance. The program offers firms, accounting services, feasibility studies, marketing/presentation analyses, advertising expertise, loan packaging, and proposal/bid preparation. Other specialized management training and technical services such as executive education training, distance learning, and other educational services are available to program participants.

### Certified Local Government (CLG)

**Program Description/Activities:** Local governments strengthen their local historic preservation efforts by achieving CLG status from the National Park Service (NPS). NPS and State governments, through their State historic preservation offices (SHPOs), provide technical assistance and small matching grants to hundreds of diverse communities where local governments are endeavoring to preserve their communities' past. In turn, NPS and States acquire local government partnerships in the national historic preservation program. Participants in the CLG program also have access to matching grant funds SHPOs set aside to fund CLG historic preservation subgrant projects.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$3.2 million for FY 2000.

### **Clean Cities**

**Program Description/Activities:** Clean Cities is a locally based government and industry partnership coordinated by the U.S. Department of Energy that promotes the use of alternatives to conventional gasoline and diesel fuel. The program focuses and coordinates the activities of both public- and private-sector proponents of alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs) by providing them with a forum to discover common ground, collaborate on public policy, investigate opportunities for joint projects, avoid unnecessary conflicts, leverage scarce resources, and cooperate on promoting the benefits of AFVs in their communities. Clean Cities creates an effective plan, carried out at the local level, for creating a sustainable, nationwide alternative fuels market.

### Computers for Learning

### Related Category: Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Governmentwide Policy
U.S. General Services Administration
Phone: 202–501–3846

Web site: www.computers.fed.gov

### Consumer Information Catalog and List of Federal Publications in Spanish

potential donors, and acquire equipment.

**Program Description/Activities:** Free Federal consumer booklets on subjects such as food and nutrition, money, employment, Federal benefits, children, housing, and health are available by writing to the distributing agency or by calling the toll-free number.

**Program Description/Activities:** This program directs agencies to

employees to volunteer their time and expertise to assist teachers and

connect computers and technologies to classrooms. Federal agencies

transfer equipment under established procedures for property transfers,

identify eligible recipients, arrange for transferring equipment and help

educational nonprofit organizations. The program also encourages Federal

transfer computers and related tools directly to eligible schools and

### Program/Agency Contact:

Consumer Information Catalog U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 1–888–878–3256 Web site: www.pueblo.gsa.gov

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Infrastructure, Public Safety and Crime Prevention

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Property Disposal U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202–501–0084

Real Property Sales List U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 1–800–776–7872

Web site: www.gsa.gov/pbs/pr/prhome.htm

### Federal Real Property for Public or Private Use

Program Description/Activities: State and local governments and eligible nonprofit organizations may acquire real estate that the Federal Government is no longer using through a public benefit conveyance. Property can be purchased by eligible entities at reductions equal to 100 percent of the fair market value. Surplus properties include land, office buildings, warehouses, commercial and industrial facilities, airfields, former Post Offices, farms, and single- and multifamily residences. State and local public agencies are notified of the availability of surplus Federal property that they may be eligible to acquire, including public health or educational facilities, unused public buildings for homeless assistance, public parks or recreational areas, historic monuments, correctional institutions, port facilities, public airports, and wildlife conservation areas.

### Local Technical Assistance Program

**Program Description/Activities:** These grants assist communities in solving specific economic development problems, responding to developmental opportunities, and building and expanding local organizational capacity in distressed areas. In responding to specific problems and opportunities, a local economic development organization might focus on military base and industrial plant closures, deteriorating commercial districts, and technical or market feasibility studies. Eligible applicants include public or private nonprofit national, State, area, district, or local organizations; public and private colleges and universities; Native American tribes; local governments; and State agencies.

Grant/Award Amount: \$9.1 million for FY 2000.

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Equal Opportunity

### Program/Agency Contact:

Planning and Development Assistance Division U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–2873 Web site: www.doc.gov

# Minigrants and Technical Assistance for Appalachian Communities

### Related Categories:

Community Building, Economic Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Appalachian Regional Commission Phone: 202–884–7713 Web site: www.arc.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The Appalachian Regional Commission makes funds available and provides technical assistance to Appalachian communities undertaking the Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community application and strategic planning processes.

### Related Category:

**Economic Development** 

### Program/Agency Contact:

Research and Technical Assistance Division U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–4085 Web site: www.doc.gov

### **National Technical Assistance Program**

**Program Description/Activities:** Grants awarded under this program provide resources to intermediary organizations giving technical assistance to local, district, and State economic development organizations and for national demonstrations of innovative economic development techniques, including program performance measurement.

Funded proposals include economic impact analyses and measurement; surveys of best practices in economic development tools; newsletters and reports on new developments and success stories in rural and urban economic development; and demonstrations of national significance in areas such as regional cooperation, improving competitiveness, better use of private capital, financial intermediaries, export development, technology infrastructure, and sustainable development.

Grant/Award Amount: \$500,000 for FY 2000.

Technical Assistance for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Minority Institutions (MIs) Including Tribal Colleges and Universities, Hispanic Serving Institutions, and Other Minority Institutions

Related Categories: Education, Equal Opportunity

### Program/Agency Contact:

U.S. Department of Defense Phone: 703–588–8622 Web site: www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu **Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) Technical Assistance program for HBCUs/MIs assures orderly transfer of information so these institutions may participate fully in a wide variety of contract opportunities to fulfill defense needs in research, study, and analysis. DoD assists these institutions with organization, programs, and activities; requirements generation; missions and responsibilities; programming and budget; current initiatives such as outsourcing, privatization, and contract consolidation; and procurement procedures and preparation of proposals.

### Technical Assistance on Ports and Intermodal Development

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Environment, Infrastructure

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Ports and Domestic Shipping U.S. Maritime Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Phone: 202–366–4357 Web site: marad.dot.gov

Program Description/Activities: Technical assistance and advice are provided to Federal, State, and local government agencies; port authorities; and private-sector marine transportation companies on issues relating to port and intermodal development and related environmental concerns. Port activities covered include analysis of issues associated with the adequacy and condition of U.S. ports; planning, development, and operation requirements; economic importance and development; physical security; and financial requirements. Intermodal activities include improving transportation affecting landside access (rail and highway) to marine facilities and reducing congestion and air pollution. Assistance is also available on the impact of dredging, vessel scraping, and pollution from ships related to ports, shipping, and shipyards; recommendations that enhance environmental protection in the maritime industry; and compliance with national and international standards for prevention of marine pollution.

# U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Smart Growth Network

**Program Description/Activities:** EPA's contribution to "smarter growth" is offered through the Smart Growth Network. Assistance includes technical and modeling aid to encourage more compact, pedestrian-oriented development and help realize the environmental benefits that come from achieving a more balanced pattern of growth. Other offerings include workshops on infill redevelopment; connection to a network of local officials, architects, developers, conservationists, State officials, community development organizations, and environmentalists; fiscal impact and landuse modeling of new or redevelopment; building deconstruction as an alternative to building demolition; and modeling the air-quality benefits of infill.

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Environment

### Program/Agency Contact:

Smart Growth Network U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Phone: 202–260–2750 Web site: www.smartgrowth.org

### Welfare to Work

### Welfare-to-Work Grants

### Related Category: Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Welfare to Work Employment and Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–0181, ext. 176 Web site: www.dol.gov Program Description/Activities: Welfare-to-Work Grants awarded to States and local communities provide transitional assistance designed to move the hardest-to-employ recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) into unsubsidized jobs that provide career potential for achieving economic self-sufficiency. Seventy-five percent of the formula grant funds will be allocated to States based on a formula that considers States' shares of the national number of poor individuals and adult recipients of TANE. States are required to pass 85 percent of the money to local private industry councils (PICs) that oversee and guide job-training programs in local geographical jurisdictions. Remaining funds are used for competitive grants awarded directly to local governments, PICs, and private entities. Special consideration is given to Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community applicants.

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Workforce Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

Employee Benefits and Exempt Organizations Internal Revenue Service U.S. Department of Treasury Phone: 202–622–6060 Web site: www.irs.ustreas.gov

### Welfare-to-Work Tax Credit

**Program Description/Activities:** The Welfare-to-Work (WtW) Tax Credit provides an incentive to hire individuals who are long-term family assistance recipients. To qualify for this tax credit, certified individuals must work at least 120 hours per year. The WtW tax credit is scheduled to expire and does not apply to individuals who begin work after December 31, 2001.

**Grant/Award Amount:** Maximum credit amount is \$3,500 in the first year and \$5,000 in the second year. Credit is equal to 35 percent of up to \$10,000 in wages paid during the first year, and 50 percent of second year wages up to \$10,000.

### **Workforce Development**

### Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP)

Related Category: Equal Opportunity

Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Operations and Programs Veterans' Employment and Training Service U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–693–4708 Web site: www.dol.gov **Program Description/Activities:** DVOP provides and develops jobs and job-training opportunities for disabled and other veterans. Assistance is provided with the help of employer contacts; on-the-job training and apprenticeships within Federal job-training programs (for example, Job Training Partnership Act, Veterans Administration programs); outreach to veterans through community agencies and organizations; and assistance to community-based groups, organizations, and appropriate grantees under federally funded employment and training programs. The programs also develop linkages with other agencies to promote maximum employment opportunities for veterans and provide job placement, counseling, testing, and job referrals to eligible veterans (especially disabled Vietnamera veterans), using a case-management approach to services.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$80 million for FY 2000. Range of awards is \$146,000 to \$12.1 million.

# Employment Assistance Program and Adult Vocational Training Program

Related Category: Education

Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Economic Development Bureau of Indian Affairs U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–219–5270 Web site: www.doi.gov **Program Description/Activities:** The Employment Assistance Program provides financial assistance to adult Native Americans to find and retain permanent employment. The Adult Vocational Training Program provides training to Native Americans to acquire the skills necessary for full-time employment. Vocational training can be taken at any public or private institution that is accredited by a recognized national accrediting association, by State agencies authorized to make such approvals, or by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$10 million for FY 2000.

### Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Project, Title VII, Subtitle C, Section 738 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act

### Related Categories:

Housing and Homelessness, Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Operations and Programs U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–693–4731 Web site: www.dol.gov **Program Description/Activities:** This project provides funds for demonstration programs to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the labor force and assists eligible homeless veterans by providing employment, training, support, and transitional housing assistance.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$9.6 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Division of Indian and Native American Programs Office of National Programs U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–7979 Web site: www.dol.gov

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Section 401, Indian and Native Employment and Training Programs

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides employment and training services to Native Americans (including Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians) through classroom training, subsidized employment, and supportive services designed to increase the employability of participants. Grants are awarded to federally and State-recognized tribes, bands, or groups and private, nonprofit, Native-controlled organizations and consortia.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$58.4 million for FY 2000.

#### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Welfare to Work

### Program/Agency Contact:

Employment and Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–7916 Web site: www.doleta.gov

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Title II-A (Employment and Training Programs for Economically Disadvantaged Adults)

**Program Description/Activities:** Funding is provided for employment and training activities to increase the employability of economically disadvantaged adults and to help them find permanent, family-sustaining jobs. Eligible applicants generally meet the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' poverty guidelines and have additional barriers to entering the workforce, including low academic skills. Employment, training, and related services are funded in coordination with other Federal, State, and local programs with similar missions. Communities may access program resources in cooperation with local Service Delivery Areas and One-Stop Career Centers.

In July 1999 the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 began replacing the JTPA. WIA expands on existing JTPA programs and will be administered by all States by July 2000.

Grant/Award Amount: \$950 million for FY 2000.

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Title II-B (Summer Employment and Training Programs for Economically Disadvantaged At-Risk Youth)

### **Related Categories:**

Economic Development, Welfare to Work

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Employment and Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–5305 Web site: www.doleta.gov

**Program Description/Activities:** Funding is provided for community employment, training, and educational activities to encourage completion of school and to increase employability of economically disadvantaged at-risk youth during summer vacation. Work experience, job-skills training, and related services are coordinated through local school systems in conjunction with other youth programs. Communities may access program resources in cooperation with local Service Delivery Areas and One-Stop Career Centers.

In July 1999 the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 began replacing the JTPA. WIA expands on existing JTPA programs and will be administered by all States by July 2000.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.9 billion for FY 2000.

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Title II-C (Year-Round Youth Programs)

# **Program Description/Activities:** Funding is provided for community employment, training, educational activities, and mentoring to encourage completion of school and to increase employability of economically disadvantaged at-risk youth. Work experience, job-skills training, and related services are generally coordinated through local school systems in conjunction with other youth programs. Communities may access program resources in cooperation with local Service Delivery Areas and One-Stop Career Centers. The expected number of eligible participants during FY 1999 is 136,000.

In July 1999 the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 began replacing the JTPA. WIA expands on existing JTPA programs and will be administered by all States by July 2000.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$130 million for FY 1999. No funding for FY 2000.

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Welfare to Work

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Employment and Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–5305 Web site: www.doleta.gov

### Related Categories:

Equal Opportunity, Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of National Programs U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–5500, ext. 125 Web site: www.doleta.gov

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Titles III and IV, Disability Employment Program Demonstration Grants

**Program Description/Activities:** The U.S. Department of Labor awards grants to nonprofit organizations that serve individuals with disabilities. The program is operated by nonprofit organizations and has close linkages to rehabilitation agencies and community business organizations.

Grant/Award Amount: \$6.8 million for FY 2000.

# Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), Title IV, Part C, Veterans' Training

### **Related Categories:**

Economic Development, Education

#### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–693–4713 Web site: www.dol.gov/vets/ Program Description/Activities: This grant program helps fund employment and training services for disabled Vietnam-era and recently separated veterans. Services help veterans overcome identified employment barriers and facilitate job placement. Grants are distributed to entities designated by States' Governors through a competitive process. Available training activities include classroom training, on-the-job training, remedial education, literacy and bilingual training, occupational skills training, onsite industry-specific training, apprenticeships, and retraining. Veterans may also be eligible for services under other JTPA programs that assist economically disadvantaged or dislocated workers.

# Job Training Partnership Act, Title IV, Section 402, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Programs

**Program Description/Activities:** This program provides employment and training services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers through public agencies and private, nonprofit organizations familiar with the problems of migrant and seasonal farmworkers.

Program activities include services that enable farmworkers and their dependents to obtain or retain employment, to participate in other program activities leading to their eventual placement in unsubsidized agricultural or nonagricultural employment, and to participate in activities leading to stabilization in agricultural employment, including related assistance and supportive services.

Grant/Award Amount: \$74 million for FY 2000.

### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of National Programs
Division of Migrant and Seasonal
Farmworker Programs
U.S. Department of Labor
Phone: 202–219–5500, ext. 121
Web site: www.dol.gov

### Related Category: Economic Development

### Program/Agency Contact:

National Office of Job Corps U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–4708 Web site: www.dol.gov

# Local Veterans' Employment Representative (LVER) Program and Disabled Veteran Outreach Program (DVOP)

**Program Description/Activities:** LVER and DVOP provide job development, placement, and support services directly to veterans. They also ensure there is local supervision of State Employment and Service/Job Service compliance with Federal regulations, performance standards, and grant agreement provisions in carrying out requirements of 38 U.S.C. 4104 to provide veterans with maximum employment and training opportunities.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$157.4 million for FY 2000. Range of awards is \$66,000 to \$6.4 million.

### One-Stop Career Center Systems, Employment and Training

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Technical Assistance

### Program/Agency Contact:

One-Stop and Labor Market Information U.S. Department of Labor Phone: 202–219–8395, ext. 184 Web site: www.ttrc.doleta.gov/onestop

**Program Description/Activities:** This grants-in-aid program helps States integrate programs that provide training and employment services. All States are currently implementing plans to offer information and services about jobs and careers, labor markets, and training programs to jobseekers and employers. With the passage of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) in August 1998, jurisdictions must now establish at least one physical One-Stop Career Center in each workforce investment area established by their Governor. Reports on one-stop implementation progress to date, *The One-Stop Practitioner's Guide*, and other technical assistance materials (including useful techniques on formation of local partnerships) can be found at www.ttrc.doleta.gov/onestop. Policy and guidance information can be found at www.usworkforce.org.

# P.L. 102-477, The Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Program

**Program Description/Activities:** P.L. 102–477 is a tribal initiative that demonstrates how Native American tribal governments can integrate employment, training, and related services and improve these services' effectiveness, reduce joblessness in Native American communities, and achieve tribally determined goals consistent with the policy of self-determination. The Act allows tribes to integrate as few as 2 or as many as 13 Federal programs. The U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Interior participate in the program.

### Related Category: Education

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Economic Development Bureau of Indian Affairs U.S. Department of the Interior Phone: 202–219–5270 Web site: www.doi.gov

### Related Categories:

Economic Development, Technical Assistance, Welfare to Work

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Planning Division U.S. Department of Commerce Phone: 202–482–3027 Web site: www.doc.gov

# Planning Program for Economic Development Districts and Indian Tribes

**Program Description/Activities:** Grants under this program support the formulation and implementation of economic development programs designed to create or retain full-time permanent jobs for unemployed and underemployed persons in economically distressed areas.

Planning grants fund administrative expenses to establish and implement effective economic development programs at local and multijurisdictional levels. Eligible activities under this program include the preparation and continuation of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and planning, implementation, and technical assistance services to communities and local governments within the organization's jurisdiction.

Grant/Award Amount: \$2.8 million in FY 2000.

### Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), Title I-C, Job Corps

### Related Category:

Human Services and Family Support

### Program/Agency Contact:

Office of Operations and Programs
Division of Employment and
Training Programs
U.S. Department of Labor
Phone: 202–219–9105
Web site: www.dol.gov or www.jobcorps.org

**Program Description/Activities:** Job Corps is a training program for severely disadvantaged youth ages 16 to 24. Designed to make these youth more responsible citizens who are prepared to obtain and hold productive jobs or enroll in further education or training, Job Corps is operated through a network of 118 Job Corps centers. Program components include orientation and assessment, occupational exploration, jobreadiness training, basic education, occupational skills training, social skills training, and work-based learning. Other activities and support include healthcare, meals, recreational activities, counseling, group living guidance, arts and crafts, student government, and placement assistance.

**Grant/Award Amount:** \$1.3 billion for FY 2000.

# FY 2001 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AGENDA

Most Americans are enjoying the benefits of the Nation's strong economy. Conditions in many underserved communities have improved, yet more is needed to assist those urban and rural areas that remain disconnected from the benefits and opportunities that others enjoy. Working with the private sector and State and local governments, President Clinton continues to work to strengthen underserved communities. To this end, the Administration's proposed fiscal year (FY) 2001 budget includes new initiatives, expands valuable programs, creates more Empowerment Zones (EZs), and increases opportunities for homeownership.

The budget includes the following:

American Indian Administrator Corps. The President proposes \$5 million for a new U.S. Department of Education initiative that will support the recruitment, training, and inservice professional development of 500 Native Americans and Alaska Natives to become effective administrators in schools with high populations of Native American students. As with the Native American teacher initiative, higher education institutions are encouraged to form consortia with tribal colleges to develop this program.

America's Private Investment Companies (APICs). The new program will allow the Federal Government to promote private equity capital investment in low- to moderate-income (LMI) areas. These areas represent significant untapped market potential. Each APIC will be a HUD-licensed investment pool with a proven management team, a credible investment strategy, and a plan to use business investment to create jobs in LMI areas. HUD proposes \$37 million in credit subsidies in FY 2001 to encourage private investment in these areas. These funds would leverage \$1.5 billion in private debt and equity investment in underserved markets.

**Better America Bonds.** The President proposes Federal tax credits to pay the interest on \$10.75 billion in bonds over 5 years for investment by State, local, and tribal governments. The bonds can be used to preserve green space, create or restore urban parks, protect water quality, and clean up brownfields (abandoned industrial sites). The cost is \$3 billion over 10 years.

**Building Roads and Bridges in Indian Country.** The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) will expand its program to improve roads and bridges on Native American reservations. The President's budget proposes to give

the Indian Reservations Roads program the full authorization amount of \$275 million, with an additional \$74 million from a highway receipts account, creating a total of \$349 million, an increase of \$117 million over the FY 2000 budget. This will allow tribes to address an estimated \$4 billion backlog in infrastructure needs.

**Empowerment Zones.** Proposed expanded wage credits and tax incentives will extend and improve economic growth in the 31 existing urban and rural EZs administered by HUD and USDA and support a proposed third round of 10 new EZs (to be designated in 2001). Total cost will be \$4.4 billion over 10 years.

Homeless Initiative. Homeless persons do not participate fully in health and other programs for which they are eligible. The President's budget proposes legislation for a new \$10 million initiative to improve homeless individuals' access to mainstream programs that will help them move toward self-sufficiency. Demonstration grants would be awarded to several States to improve access to, and provide coordination among, programs such as Medicaid, State Children's Health Insurance Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, food stamps, Workforce Investment Act programs, and Mental Health and Substance Abuse block grants. The budget also proposes \$1.2 billion for homeless assistance programs at HUD including \$105 million for 18,000 homeless vouchers.

**Investing in Rural America.** The budget includes a request for \$1.3 billion in direct loans and \$3.7 billion in guaranteed loans to provide safe, affordable homeownership opportunities for approximately 64,000 rural Americans. The Administration is committed to ensuring more job opportunities for rural Americans and will provide nearly \$1.3 billion in direct and guaranteed business and industry loans to help create 40,000 jobs.

**Job Corps.** Job Corps is the Nation's largest and most comprehensive residential education and job-training program targeting impoverished young people. The FY 2001 budget increases funding by \$35 million, bringing the total budget to nearly \$1.4 billion.

New Markets Tax Credit. The President proposes to more than double the New Markets tax credit, spurring \$15 billion in new investment in community development in economically distressed areas. An entity making new

equity investments in a selected community development project would be eligible for a tax credit worth 25 percent of the investment's cost. Numerous types of investment of equity and credit to businesses in underserved areas would be eligible. The tax credit total comes to \$5 billion over 10 years.

**New Markets University Partnerships.** These partnerships will provide \$5 million to business and law schools to assist with business development and expansion in lower income areas as part of the President's New Markets Initiative.

**Rural EZ/EC Initiative.** The President's budget includes \$15 million in mandatory funding for each of the remaining 8 years of designation for the 5 Round II rural EZs and 20 Round II rural ECs.

**Tribal College and University Program.** This initiative will be funded at \$5 million to help tribal colleges and universities work with their communities to promote neighborhood revitalization, housing and commercial property rehabilitation, welfare-to-work initiatives, and economic development through small business incubators and job-training programs.

Welfare to Work. Because of the President's leadership, the 1997 Balanced Budget Act contained \$3 billion for welfare to work grants to help long-term welfare recipients and certain noncustodial parents go to work to support their children. To implement these important efforts fully, the President's budget allows grantees an additional 2 years to spend existing funds.

Youthbuild. This program targets 16- to 24-year-old high school dropouts and provides these disadvantaged young adults with education and employment skills through a program that rehabilitates and builds housing for low-income families and homeless persons. Funded at \$75 million, Youthbuild will provide opportunities for approximately 3,330 trainees in 2001.

# **APPENDIXES**

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### **Appendix A: State Data Centers**

State Data Centers (SDCs) offer technical assistance, census data, and maps. Data centers usually are housed in State government agencies, universities, or libraries and head up a network of affiliate centers. The Business and Industry Data Center (BIDC) Program expands SDC services to serve businesses directly. Below is a list of the SDC and BIDC lead agency contacts. Asterisks identify States that also have BIDCs. In some States, one agency serves as the lead for both the SDC and the BIDC; the BIDC is listed separately where there is a separate agency serving as the lead. On the World Wide Web, SDCs can be found at www.census.gov/sdc/www/.

Alabama Annette Watters University of Alabama 205–348–6191

Alaska Kathryn Lizik Alaska Department of Labor 907–465–2439

American Samoa Vaitoelan Filiga American Samoa Department of Commerce 011-684-633-5155

Arizona\*
Betty Jeffries
Arizona Department of
Economic Security
602–542–5984

Arkansas Sarah Breshears University of Arkansas at Little Rock 501–569–8530

California
Linda Gage
California Department of Finance
916–322–4651

Colorado Rebecca Picaso Colorado Department of Local Affairs 303-866-2156 Connecticut
Bill Kraynak
Connecticut Office of
Policy and Management
860–418–6230

Delaware\*
Rob Skomorucha
Delaware Economic
Development Office
302-739-4271

District of Columbia Herb Bixhorn Mayor's Office of Planning 202-442-7603

Florida Pam Schenker Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security 850-488-1048

Georgia Robert Giacomini Georgia Institute of Technology 404–894–6698

Guam Rose Deaver Guam Department of Commerce 011-671-475-0325

Hawaii Jan Nakamoto Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism 808–586–2493 Idaho Alan Porter Idaho Department of Commerce 208–334–2470

Illinois\*
Suzanne Ebetsch
Illinois Department of Commerce
and Community Affairs
217–782–1381

BIDC Edwin Taft Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs 217-785-7545

Indiana\*
Ray Ewick
Indiana State Library
317–232–3733

BIDC Carol Rogers Indiana Business Research Center 317–274–2205

Iowa Beth Henning State Library of Iowa 515–281–4350

Kansas Marc Galbraith State Library of Kansas 913–296–3296

Kentucky\* Ron Crouch University of Louisville 502–852–7990 Louisiana Karen Paterson Louisiana Office of the DataBase Commission 225–219–4025

Maine Eric Vonmagnus Maine State Planning Office 207–287–1476

Maryland\*
Jane Traynham
Maryland Office of Planning
410–767–4450

Massachusetts\* Stephen Coelen University of Massachusetts 413–545–3460

Michigan
Carolyn Lauer
Michigan Department of
Management and Budget
517–373–7910

Minnesota\* David Birkholz State Demographer's Office 615–296–2557

BIDC Barbara Ronningen State Demographer's Office 615–297–4886

Mississippi\* Max Williams University of Mississippi 662–915–7288

BIDC
Deloise Tate
Mississippi Department of
Economic and Community
Development
601-359-3593

Missouri\* Debra Pitts Missouri State Library 573–526–7648

BIDC Steve Garrotto Missouri Small Business Development Centers 573–882–0344

Montana\*
Jan Clack
Montana Department of
Commerce
406-444-4393

Nebraska Jerome Diechert University of Nebraska at Omaha 402–595–2134

Nevada Linda Lee Nary Nevada State Library and Archives 775–684–3326

New Hampshire
Tom Duffy
New Hampshire Office of
State Planning
603–271–2155

New Jersey\* David Joye New Jersey Department of Labor 609–984–2595

New Mexico\* Kevin Kargacin University of New Mexico 505-277-6626

BIDC Karma Shore University of New Mexico 505–277–6626

New York\* Robert Scardamalia Empire State Development 518–292–5300 North Carolina\*
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North Carolina Office of
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North Dakota Richard Rathge North Dakota State University 701–231–8621

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Oklahoma\*
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Harrisburg
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Puerto Rico Lillian Torres Aguirre Junta de Planificacion 787–728–4430

Rhode Island
Paul Egan
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Administration
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South Carolina Mike MacFarlane South Carolina Budget and Control Board 803-734-3780

South Dakota Nancy Craig University of South Dakota 605-677-5287

Tennessee
Don Waller
Tennessee Department of
Economic and Community
Development
615-741-2211

Texas Steve Murdock Texas A&M University 409–845–5115

Utah\* Lisa Hillman Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget 801–538–1036 Vermont Sharon Whitaker University of Vermont 802-656-3201

Virgin Islands Frank Mills University of the Virgin Islands 809–693–1027

Virginia\*
Don Lillywhite
Virginia Employment
Commission
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Washington\*
Yi Zhao
Washington Office of Financial
Management
360-902-0599

West Virginia\* Delphine Coffey West Virginia Development Office 304–558–4010

BIDC Tom Witt West Virginia University 304–293–7832 Wisconsin\*
Robert Naylor
Wisconsin Department of
Administration
608–266–1927

BIDC David Mohn University of Wisconsin–Madison 608–262–3097

Wyoming
Wenlin Liu
Wyoming Department of
Administration and
Information
307-777-7504

# **Appendix B: Agency Web Sites**

Agency Name and Address	Web Site
U.S. Department of Agriculture 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW. Washington, DC 20250	www.usda.gov
Appalachian Regional Commission 1666 Connecticut Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20235	www.arc.gov
U.S. Census Bureau 4700 Silver Hill Road, FB–3 Suitland, MD 20746	www.census.gov
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 1600 Clifton Road NE. Atlanta, GA 30333	www.cdc.gov
U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20230–0002	www.doc.gov <i>or</i> www.commerce.gov
The Corporation for National Service 1201 New York Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20525	www.nationalservice.org <i>or</i> www.cns.gov
U.S. Department of Defense OASD(PA)/DPC 1400 Defense Pentagon Room 1E 757 Washington, DC 20301–1400	www.defenselink.mil
U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue SW. Washington, DC 20202	www.ed.gov
U.S. Department of Energy Forrestal 1000 Independence Avenue SW. Washington, DC 20585	home.doe.gov <i>or</i> www.energy.gov
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20460	www.epa.gov
U.S. General Services Administration 1800 F Street NW. Washington, DC 20405	www.gsa.gov

Agency Name and Address	Web Site
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue SW. Washington, DC 20201	www.dhhs.gov
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 Seventh Street SW. Washington, DC 20410	www.hud.gov
U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW. Washington, DC 20240	www.doi.gov
U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20530	www.usdoj.gov
U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20210	www.dol.gov
Maritime Administration U.S. Department of Transportation 400 Seventh Street SW. Washington, DC 20590	www.marad.dot.gov
Office of National Drug Control Policy 750 17th Street NW. Washington, DC 20503	www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov
National Park Service 1849 C Street NW. Washington, DC 20240	www.nps.gov
U.S. Small Business Administration 409 Third Street SW. Washington, DC 20416	www.sba.gov
U.S. Department of Transportation 400 Seventh Street SW. Washington, DC 20590	www.dot.gov
U.S. Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20220	www.treas.gov
White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. Washington, DC 20500	www.whitehouse.gov

# **Appendix C: HUD/USDA Contact Information**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANDREW CUOMO, SECRETARY

#### **EZ/EC** Initiative

## Office of Community Planning and Development

451 Seventh Street SW.

Room 7130

Washington, DC 20410 Phone: 202–708–6339 Fax: 202–401–7615

Web site: www.hud.gov/cpd/ezec/ezeclist.html

# **Community Connections** (HUD's Resource Center)

For information on programs to help build communities:

**Community Connections** 

P.O. Box 7189

Gaithersburg, MD 20898-7189

Phone: 1-800-998-9999

E-mail: comcon@aspensys.com Web site: www.comcon.org/

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DAN GLICKMAN, SECRETARY

# Office of Community Development Rural Development

300 Seventh Street SW. Reporters Building

**Suite 701** 

Washington, DC 20024

Phone: 202-619-7980 or 800-645-4712

Fax: 202-401-7420

E-mail: ocd@rurdev.usda.gov

Web site: www.rurdev.usda.gov/ocd

# **Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities**

Web site: www.ezec.gov

# **Appendix D: Available Publications**

#### AVAILABLE PUBLICATIONS FOR URBAN COMMUNITIES

**Federal Programs Guide:** Provides a list of Federal Government programs available to distressed communities. Applicants can use this *Guide* to identify current or prospective Federal Government programs that can be used to help revitalize their neighborhoods.

Internal Revenue Service Publication 954, "Tax Incentives for Empowerment Zones and Other Distressed Communities," revised February 1999.

**Performance Measurement System Guide:** Provides communities with a "how to" approach to establishing and implementing a performance measurement system. Performance measurement systems provide an organized process for gathering information to track how well programs and projects are meeting their goals, then using that information to improve performance and report to interested stakeholders.

**Strategic Planning Guide:** Provides a comprehensive overview of how to prepare a Strategic Plan including a discussion of the planning process and the ways in which residents, community-based organizations, businesses, nonprofit organizations, government entities, and others come together to create a shared vision for the future.

**Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community Tax Incentives: A Guide for Businesses:** Business is key to the EZ/EC Initiative. This practical *Guide* is designed to provide information to businesses on the advantages and benefits of locating and expanding in EZs and ECs.

**The President's Community Empowerment Board:** The Community Empowerment Board (CEB) includes the heads of 26 Federal agencies. The CEB is responsible for the overall development of community empowerment efforts, with particular attention given to the implementation of the EZ/EC Initiative.

What Works! in the Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities, Volumes I–III: A compilation of successful projects from current EZs and ECs (includes contact names and telephone numbers).

To request publications for urban communities, please call 1–800–998–9999.

#### AVAILABLE PUBLICATIONS FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

A Guide to Implementation and Benchmarking: Helps rural communities turn their Strategic Plans into specific work programs and create performance measures to evaluate their own progress.

A Guide to Strategic Planning for Rural Communities: Leads communities through the process of establishing a vision, evaluating problems and opportunities, assessing their strengths and weaknesses, and setting goals and strategies.

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To request publications for rural communities, please call 1–800–851–3403.

#### OTHER RESOURCES

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and Federal Assistance Award Data Systems: Two CD-ROMs are available that detail information on Federal procurements valued at more than \$25,000 for an entire fiscal year: the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and the Census Bureau's Federal Assistance Award Data Systems. This information helps to identify who buys what, who gives grants and loans, and who gets Federal funding.

**Program/Agency Contact:** 

Governmentwide Information Systems Division U.S. General Services Administration Phone: 202–708–5126

Web site: www.gsa.gov

# Appendix E: EZ/EC Main Contact List

# **URBAN CONTACT LIST**

**EMPOWERMENT ZONES** 

# **CA, Los Angeles**

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